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league—not dumb, you know—but by untoward circumstance, jammed in a crowd of people who fling you on your facial expression as it were—that is what pantomime means—now you understand why ladies are not adepts. Mr. Wright is a little to sleek and well fed for a Yankee, and he has nobnadc'much of a study of the down-east twang—but because he was a good actor, he was still a successful Salem Scudder.

When you have arrived at man's estate, with the usual assistance of nature's kindly hard and obliging kicks from your fellow men—when life has brought a cloud or two across the sun of your enjoyment and you have penetrated to the hollow core of earthly pleasure and experienced the indigestion which follows those morsels which slip so easily and delightfully past one's moral palate, when, to put it briefly, you are somewhat sonsy in fact cooling to your parched imagination to see another fellow older a pride than yourself and a good deal bigger, absolutely giving way to natural and unadulterated enjoyment?

A man sat at a table near ours at the Casino on Friday night. He laid his head on the table. I remember, once in the excess of his delight, and he shuffled his feet and positively squirmed with mirth, and he laughed—ye gods! to hear a man over 30 laugh like that—and it was at the antics of the new Beppo that he was laughing, too! Not that the new Beppo does badly, considering he was thrown on his capabilities in a great hurry—but he does not shine after Kinross. I have hoped to see Kinross in his place again every night, and besides personal disappointment I am awfully sorry that serious an illness has kept him away.

I have fallen in love with Jeannie Winston all over again—had it bad before, but "The Last Rose" is more than any fellow can stand. By special request she sings it again to-night. I know about forty men who are going, and whither they go I also shall be gathered together.

SYPHER.

POPULAR AMUSEMENTS.

The January *Century* contains an admirably written article by Washington Gladden, on "Christianity and Popular Amusements."

Few questions of the day are more pregnant with interest to the thoughtful mind than this. "How to provide pure healthy amusements for our young people, which will at once entertain and instruct." That such a course of entertainments can be made a financial and social success, is demonstrated by the results of the work done in Cleveland, Ohio, by the educational bureau, a brief outline of which is given by Mr. Gladden.

It is gratifying to note that this line of effort has been adopted by the Young Men's Christian Association of this city in the course of entertainments provided for this season. The programme as published shows that arrangements have already been made for five lectures, three concerts, vocal and instrumental, and two evenings of selected readings.

In addition to the best local talent, the services of able artists from abroad have been secured, and the series promises to be most enjoyable.

It is only such an institution, possessing a comfortable and commodious hall of their own, that can move in the matter of providing for the public in general, as well as for their members and contribute a series of pleasant evenings at the nominal figure of 25c each.

Only a well filled hall can justify such a step, and it is to be hoped that the citizens will recognize the benefit of such an influence in their midst and give it both moral support and patronage.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Mr. Edwin Thorne of Cincinnati has written a play called "The Knaves of the Pack." The hand will not be dealt until next season.

Private letters from Italy state that Mme. Etelka Gerster's health has been completely restored and that she will shortly begin to sing again.

Mme. Louise Pyk, a Swedish prima donna, is to make her American debut at a Philharmonic concert in New York. The advance information regarding her abilities and voice is very flattering.

Rose Coghlan is preparing for her next season's starring tour. She has just offered Miss Genevieve Ward a handsome sum for the use of "Forget-Me-Not," in which Miss Coghlan made the most pronounced hit of her career at Mr. Wallack's theater.

Mr. Max Strakosch is to enter the musical amusement field again as a manager. He has organized a concert company with Miss Clara Louise Kellogg at its head, and the first entertainment will be given shortly in New York. The troupe will visit the west.

Mme. Patti and Signor Nicolini, with a retinue of servants, are astonishing Boston by occupying at the Hotel Vendome what is known in that aristocratic establishment and city as "the suite of state apartments," with an exclusive entrance on Commonwealth avenue. Mapleson is supposed to be delighted.

HOW A STAGE OCEAN IS MADE.

The ocean of the stage is produced by a number of boys lying on their backs beneath a dark cloth and working away with their legs and arms. Mr. Percy Fitzgerald mentions a clever instance of stage illusion in a play called "The Sea of Ice." A woman with her child on a frozen raft is exposed to the treachery of the villain of the story. It is a wild Arctic picture. Presently the ice begins to break up, and after a time the woman and her infant are floating on a block of ice in the midst of a rolling sea. The effect was produced in the simplest way. "Strips of whitened canvas, representing the ice, were slowly drawn away to the right and left, revealing water underneath, which was represented by sheets of perfectly black bombazine, not green or blue, as might be expected. The effect on the audience was entirely owing to the contrast with the glaring white ice, which the artist knew caused the waters below to look of an inky hue. The result was founded on ocular illusion, and therefore on true scenic principles." There were the boys at work, of course, under the cloth, and the iceberg on which the fugitives floated away was a wooden platform, that was drawn off through a slit in the bombazine ocean.

Real water has never been found to look so real on the stage as its artistic imitation. You remember the story of the low comedian who carried under his arm a bogus pig and squeaked himself. A rival tried the real thing, but it was not so effective; the squeak did not seem so natural to the audience as the imitation.—*Correspondence Boston Herald.*

MR. MASTEN'S NEW MASS.

The San Francisco *Chronicle* has this to say of the first production of the mass composed by E. C. Masten, formerly of the Portland press: "E. C. Masten's 'Messe de l'Immaculee Conception' was given for the first time publicly in San Francisco yesterday at the church of Nuestra Senora de Guadaloupe. The mass was written while the composer was in attendance at the Paris conservatory, bears evidence of a very finished style of composition. Combined with sweetness is an exceedingly smooth, even tempo, most pleasing to the ear; while to its stricter merits it may be added that it possesses qualities which would attract the musician's ear before that of the general public. The Kyrie is without doubt the most artistic number of the mass. Commencing with a soprano solo, admirably rendered, by the way, by Miss Ellen Coursen, it carries the same peculiar melody throughout, without, however, conveying the impression of faulty repetition. One of the variations of the theme is heard in the contralto solo which was feeling sung by Mme. Ponton de Arce. The Gloria contains one of the gems of the mass—a duet for tenor and basso—impressively rendered yesterday by Charles Pechin and L. Herman. The Credo is somewhat too long, but the Et Incarnatus, sung by Mme. R. F. Sides, deserves favorable mention. One of the sweetest melodies of the mass—and the composition is full of them—is found in the Benedictus. The finale, "Dona Nobis Pacem," is rather airy termination, more popular than artistic. During the service Wagner's Veni Creator and an Ave Maria, by E. C. Masten, were also sung, the first by Miss Coursen and the second by Misses May and Edith Thorne. The mass was directed by the composer in person, with Professor Joseph Roeckel as organist and the vocal assistance of a well-trained chorus of about twenty voices. Besides those mentioned above, the organ loft was occupied by Misses Marie and Inez Ponton de Arce, Mamie and Emelie Masten, Geraldine Coursen, Alice Baker, Mary Mable and Victorine Carranza, Philip Amos, K. C. Macaulay, L. Herman, William Dye and others.

The smallest Lutheran parish in the world is said to be in the island of Grunsoe, a little island to the north of Iceland. The winter in Grunsoe lasts for six months, and during that time but little work is done. The people live largely by fishing. They are a hardy race, fond of playing chess during the winter months and addicted to the use of strong drink, although it does not appear that they drink to excess. The minister of the parish for the last 16 years is said to be one of the best Icelandic poets and a distinguished meteorologist. When he went there in 1868 the manse was uninhabitable, and he and his wife were compelled to make a manse of the church. Having given himself to fishing he soon became the owner of a boat. The manse was in due time repaired, and he is now owner of 30 sheep. The people are devout and warmly attached to their pastor.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

A Record of Society Events of All Sorts During the Past Week.

The Weddings, Parties, and Personal Movements of City and Suburban People.

PORTLAND.

M. F. Minor has gone to Salem on business.

Judge C. B. Watson, of Jacksonville, is in the city.

B. B. Oppenheimer is in San Francisco on a visit.

Mrs. Judge Bean of Eugene City, is visiting friends here.

C. S. Morrill and family are visiting in Los Angeles, Cal.

L. C. Kinney of Astoria is registered at one of the city hotels.

Mrs. A. Baker, of Shedd's, is visiting her parents in this city.

Frank Paxton has been visiting at Walla Walla during the week.

W. Hall and wife of Spokane Falls were in the city Wednesday.

Mr. John Jones, a Dayton merchant, was in the city Wednesday.

L. Senders, an Albany merchant, visited the city during the week.

E. G. Jones of the Yaquina *Mail* was in the city during the week.

Mr. J. M. Parrish, of Astoria, is in the city visiting for a few days.

John Markel returned yesterday from a few days' trip up the valley.

Louis Feldmann, Jr., of San Francisco, is visiting friends in this city.

The Caledonian club ball will take place Monday evening, January 26.

Otis Sprague, of Tacoma, spent a few days in the city during the week.

Mrs. Henderson and daughter of Salem were in the city during the week.

Miss Della Hogue of this city, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Powers, at Shedds.

Miss Edith Bellinger has entirely recovered from her recent serious illness.

Sam. L. Smith has been visiting his old home at McMinnville during the week.

H. Glenn, a wholesale merchant of The Dalles, is in the city on business.

Mr. Ivan Humason left on the last trip of the Queen to attend school in Benicia.

Miss Belle Morrow of Astoria was visiting friends in this city during the week.

Ben Selling and Miss Gussie Selling have returned from an extended trip to the east.

Al. Slocum, formerly mailing clerk o' THE OREGONIAN, has gone to southern Oregon.

Dr. Tate, who has been visiting his parents in Albany for several weeks, has returned home.

Miss Harkwell of Scranton, Pennsylvania, arrived in the city Tuesday to remain some time.

Mrs. A. B. Eastham of Vancouver, nee Miss Annie Fearnside, is in the city visiting friends.

Mr. David Goodsell arrived on the last steamer from San Francisco, where his family now reside.

Mrs. Bean of Eugene, daughter of Rev. I. N. Condit of that place, is visiting Mrs. Abrams of this city.

Mrs. Arthur Anthony is confined at home on account of a slight sprain of her ankle in falling yesterday.

Mr. Charles T. Crowell, left on Thursday's steamer for an extended visit east via the Central Pacific.

Mrs. Frank Bekum has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Judge Waldo, at Salem, during the past week.

George C. Sears left by the last steamer for San Francisco, where he will remain on a brief business trip.

R. M. Wade of North Yamhill, and A. R. Burbank of Lafayette, were among the visitors to the city last week.

Will H. Gilbert, formerly of Walla Walla, and later of Nevada and Mexico, has determined to locate in Portland.

Mr. Ed Beharrel and Tom Hulbert returned from a six month's contract on the O. P. R. R., near Corvallis, Monday.

Miss Jeanette Williams, who has been visiting her cousin, Mrs. Marshall, returned to her home at The Dalles on Thursday.

George W. Stimson and family of Washington, Ohio, have been passing the week in Portland. They are on a pleasure trip.

Mrs. Fred. Eggert of this city, accompanied by Miss Rose Avery of Connecticut, is visiting Mrs. A. J. Monroe at Salem.

Henry James and wife of Denver, who have been visiting Oregon on a bridal tour, returned to their Colorado home Wednesday.

Dr. Gliman and family have returned to their handsome new residence on the corner of Nineteenth and I streets, just completed.

Miss Mary E. Harrington of Portland arrived safely at her destination in Rockford, Ill., two days before the recent snow blockade.

The social and dance held by the Martha Washington circle No. 1 at their hall last evening was largely attended and enjoyed.

Mr. Forest Bidwell of Springfield, Ohio, arrived here last week and has accepted a position in the Bradstreet mercantile agency office.

A number of the army friends of Lieutenant J. S. Parke, came over from Vancouver Wednesday evening to attend the latter's wedding.

A singing class composed of about 100 members was organized at the Y. M. C. A. hall Friday night under the direction of Prof. Cook.

Miss Bessie Paxton, who has been teaching school in The Dalles for some time past, has resigned her position and returned to this city.

Wendell Ball and bride of Spokane Falls, spent a few days in Portland, during the week, before continuing their tour to San Francisco.

Miss DeForrest, instructor in elocution at the Willamette university, late of California, will give readings at the Y. M. C. A. Monday evening.

Miss Jennie Woolf and Frank Aronson of this city were guests at the wedding of Miss Amelia Shawl and Tobias Salomon at San Francisco last week.

The High school debating society held an informal debate Friday night on the question "Whether the Electoral College Should be Abolished."

The Young People's union of the Calvary Presbyterian church, will hold a social in the chapel of their church on Friday evening of next week.

Mr. C. Russell and daughter of Walla Walla, visited the city during the week. Miss Russell will soon commence a course of study at St. Helen's hall.

Miss Mamie Gantenbein, of this city, is visiting relations in Stuttgart, Germany. She seems to be enjoying the visit, but, as is often the case, a little homesick.

Miss Anna Shelby and mother intend spending the winter in California. They leave in February. Mr. Walter Smith and wife intend occupying their home during their absence.

Mr. Hoffman Frazier returned on the last steamer after a short visit to San Francisco. He mentioned seeing a good many Oregonians there and meeting a few of the "boys."

Malcolm E. Atkins, of THE OREGONIAN composing rooms, left on Sunday last for San Francisco, from whence he goes to Australia, via Honolulu, and thence around the world.

The anniversary of Mrs. D. Simon's birthday was observed by a number of her friends Wednesday evening by a party at her home on the corner of Pacific and Yamhill streets.

James A. McCormick, formerly of this city, was married at San Francisco, on the 14th inst., to Miss Jennie Do and. The young couple will enjoy their honeymoon in the east for valley of Napa.

The marriage of Mr. W. Hinkle of Corvallis, and Miss Clara M. Wood, took place on Saturday last. Miss Wood was the successful plaintiff in the breach of promise suit of Wood against Davis.

Robert Newcomb and wife were passengers on the steamer Queen of the Pacific Thursday night for California, where they will remain some time for the benefit of Mr. Newcomb's health.

The usual monthly social was given by the George Wright Post G. A. R., at their hall over Prentice's, Tuesday night, where dancing and a social time was held by the members and lady friends.

Miss Jennie Woolf, who has been visiting in San Francisco, has gone to Meriden, Miss, where her sister, Mrs. Lieser, resides. Before returning Miss Woolf will attend the world's exposition at New Orleans.

A surprise party was given to Mrs. Anderson and Miss Manring at their rooms in Ainsworth block on Tuesday evening. Dancing, games and music were indulged in and the party wound up by an excellent supper.

Mrs. James R. McCraken entertained the following ladies at lunch, at her residence 260 E street, on Friday of this week: The Misses Failing, the Misses Green, Mrs. W. B. Ayer, Miss Sartier, Miss Ettinger, Miss McCraken and Miss Wallace.

Mrs. Ed. Curtis and wife nee Miss Annie Clown, were agreeably surprised Friday night at their home by a host twelve couple of their young friends, who immediately took possession of the house and made the event a pleasant one for the recipients as well as all present.

The members of the Oak club, on Fourth street, entertained a few of their young lady friends at their home Thursday night by enjoying a scientific and merry game of whist, after which the company indulged in dancing. The hospitable manner in which the young ladies were entertained was duly appreciated.

A. R. Pringle formerly of Sacramento, California, and Miss Becca Rowe, very recently from Oakland, California, were united in marriage Thursday evening in this city, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. Iliams, on Second street, Rev. Mr. Henry of the Baptist church officiating.

First Lieutenant John S. Parke, Jr., of the Twenty-first U. S. infantry, and Miss Henrietta B. Brooke were married at Trinity church by Bishop B. W. Morris on Wednesday evening last. The event was a very fashionable one and attended by many spectators. The young couple will reside at Sidney, Nebraska.

W. H. Burrage, second son of C. W. Burrage, was married Thursday night to Miss Minnie A. Gates, daughter of Captain John Gates. The couple were married at the residence of the bride's parents. The ceremony was witnessed by only the relatives of the contracting parties, Rev. T. L. Eliot performed the ceremony.

Home social club closed its first series of socialables January 10th. The success which has attended them has been far beyond the anticipations of its members. Tickets are now out for a second series running to the 1st of May. The members expect to keep up the interest felt and the reputation gained for respectability, sociability and good music. Everybody attending may be sure of being made to feel at home.

The Chautauqua literary and scientific circle connected with the Taylor street Methodist Episcopal church, owing to protracted meetings being held, held their regular meeting in the parlor of the church last night. The part studied finished the October work and an interesting programme for the month was well given. This circle is the largest in the city, having about forty names on the roll, and by the interest that seems to prevail, a success for the circle is assured.

The society of Illinoisians held a very pleasant social Tuesday night in W. C. T. U. hall. The programme consisted of a vocal solo by Miss Lou Maxwell, beautifully rendered, a fine instrumental duet by Misses Lou and Julia Maxwell, and two interesting addresses. The first of these was an entertaining description of the manners, customs and ways of living of the early settlers of Illinois. Mr. Wells delivered a very interesting address on the early settlement of Kane county, Illinois.

From a Baltimore paper we take the following: "Rev. George F. Plummer, who last summer came to St. Mark's P. E. church from Portland, Oregon, is gaining many friends in his new charge. The attendance at the services is increasing, and his administration gives evidence of being a very useful one to his parish. Mr. Plummer's sermons and lectures are thoughtful, impressive, instructive." Referring to a sociable held about Christmas time the same journal says: "The Ladies' Aid Society presented the rector with an elaborate solid silver pitcher and tray, and just before Christmas a delegation gave a pound party at the rectory, 660 W. Lombard street."

EAST PORTLAND.

George Linville, city marshal, returned Tuesday from a six weeks' visit to the east.

Miss Hattie McArdle of Quilcene, Washington, is visiting Mrs. F. S. Dunning.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathoit, Stephen's addition, were the recipients of a surprise party on Saturday evening last. A large number of friends were in attendance and a merry evening passed.

The dramatic entertainment in preparation by St. David's Episcopal guild of this city will be given on Thursday, the 22d of January, at Neppach's hall, instead of the 21st, as at first announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Applegate and Mrs. O. B. Anderson, of New York, arrived Wednesday evening and are guests of Mrs. William Underhill, their sister. Mr. Applegate will remain and engage in business.

A young people's party was given by Miss Mollie Knott on Saturday evening last at the family residence on L street. A large number of invited guests were present and games, dancing and music indulged in up to late hour. Refreshments were served at midnight, when all returned to their homes.

The Galaxy social club gave the first of their parties Thursday evening at Neppach's hall. About thirty-six couples were present, besides a number of elderly citizens with their wives and daughters. Excellent music was furnished, dancing indulged in, and a decided success made of the first attempt of the club.

The marriage of W. A. Wash, editor of the Goldendale *Gazette*, and Miss Helen McPheeters of this city, occurred Friday morning. Miss McPheeters was quite recently appointed a teacher in the public school of East Portland, and during her short residence here has made many friends, who regret her departure, even to become an editor's wife.

A surprise party at Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Barlin's on Monday evening was occasioned by the arrival of the tenth wedding anniversary of that couple. About seventy-five of their friends surrounded the house after they had retired, and rousing them from bed took possession of the house until a late hour of the night. A supply of tinware sufficient at least for another ten years, was brought and the usual merry making indulged in.

SALEM.

Miss Eva Price, of Silverton, is visiting friends in this city.

Mrs. Snyder has been visiting at Portland during the week.

General E. L. Applegate has been in the city during the week.

Miss Ida Church accompanies J. J. Murphy and family to San Francisco.

Mrs. Mattie A. Bridge lectures on Thursday next in this city, on "Odd Fellowship."

James Ladouvette and Miss Madaline Groulois were married in this city on Wednesday.

Mrs. Atkinson has returned from Walla Walla and is now at the residence of Mrs. J. D. Jordan.

Penumbra Kelly and wife and Mrs. P. A. Marquam, Jr., of Portland, are guests of Mrs. Phillips.

J. J. Murphy, accompanied by his wife and daughter, has gone to San Francisco for a time.

Mrs. Governor Moody will give an informal reception at the mansion on Wednesday evening of this week.

F. M. Johnson and family, of Jefferson, who have been visiting in the city this week, returned home Thursday.

T. T. Geer was made happy last Saturday by the arrival of a sister from California, whom he had not seen for seventeen years.

Miss Gray will give a dress party at her home on State street, on the 16th of next month, which will be one of the most brilliant social events during the present session of the legislature.

Jacob Ashenfelter and Miss Edith J. Reamis were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Thursday evening. A large number of friends and relatives were present, and a very enjoyable time was had.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Stanton celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary on the 9th inst., at their home in this city. Eighteen of their descendants were present and the aged couple did the honors of the table as cleverly as when they were in youth's summer time. The table was handsomely decorated by a beautiful bouquet of hothouse flowers, presented by Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Earhart, a fine bridal rose forming the center.

ALBANY.

Miss Lizzie Riley of Salem was in the city Sunday.

Miss Maggie Whitney of Eugene City is visiting friends in this city.

Miss Mary A. Gouey of Oakville and V. B. Carter of Gray's Harbor were married on Sunday last.

Mr. Thomas, brother of Mrs. Harvey Shelton of Scio, paid her a visit a few days ago, after an absence of twenty years.

Rev. I. H. Condit preached his farewell sermon in this city last Sunday, and next week, with his estimable wife, will leave for their old home in New Jersey, taking with them the best wishes and good will of a large community.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Westfall commemorated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage on Thursday of last week by giving a dinner to a few invited friends. Among those present were Rev. and Mrs M. Judy, Mr. and Mrs. James Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Crosby, Mr. Boulin, Hon. Aaron Condra and Mrs. Crandall. The occasion was a very pleasant one for all present.

INDEPENDENCE.

Mrs. S. W. Smith and daughter Ella are sick.

Miss Mollie Woods has returned to her home in Albany.

V. Mackin and Mrs. Susanna Parks were married at McCoy last Thursday.

Mrs. I. L. Dempsey and daughter, of Dixie, have been visiting Mrs. Leonard.

Miss Lelia Johnson of McCoy has gone to Salem to attend school at the academy of the Sacred Heart.

SEATTLE.

Whist parties are very popular among our society people at present.

H. A. Seilson of Minneapolis is visiting his brother, G. W. Stetson, of this city, whom he had not seen for a quarter of a century.

Colonel W. F. Prosser, wife and son arrived from east of the mountains Monday evening, and are visiting Mrs. Prosser's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thornton.

Miss Lelia J. Robinson has started for Boston, to be gone several weeks. On her return she hopes to be accompanied by her parents, with a view to their making this their future home.

Fred Borie and Miss Korn were married at the residence of the bride's parents Sunday last. The event was made the occasion of great enjoyment on the part of their relatives and friends.

Miss Nellie Parkinson is soon to return to her Nevada home. As an appreciation of her past services the Seattle Amateur Opera company will this evening give a performance, the proceeds to be equally divided between Miss Parkinson and Prof. Hepburn.

CORVALLIS.

Jesse Elder has returned from a visit to Portland.

The Thespian society will enact a drama on the 22d inst.

Miss Bertha Neugass went to Portland last Saturday for a visit with friends and relatives in the metropolis.

George Simmons returned to Corvallis last week for a short business visit. His family are now located at The Dalles.

Isadore Jacobs celebrated his 19th birthday last Sunday. The event was one of no little importance to him, and was handsomely observed by his parents.

The social party at the city hall last Friday evening given by Prof. Cresay was a very pleasant affair. He will continue these Friday evening socials until the summer months.

HARRISBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt have gone to Portland to reside.

Miss Ida Roberts has returned from a visit to Portland.

John Sommerville of Portland is visiting his mother at this place.

Miss Allie Hay, who has been visiting friends at Eugene City for some time, is now home again.

EUGENE CITY.

Quite a number of our citizens have gone to New Orleans to the world's fair.

Rev. W. G. Simpson has again resumed his pulpit.

Miss Anna Benner has opened an art school in this city.

Miss Sophia Dunn has returned from a trip to California.

BROWNSVILLE.

Arthur Marcus and Miss Abby West were married at the residence of Mr. Zeiner on the 10th inst.

Isaac Leabo and family have gone to Corvallis for a few days' visit.

Our local dramatic club have in preparation a play to be acted soon for the benefit of the Presbyterian church organ.

MCMINNVILLE.

Mrs. Henry Warren and son are visiting friends in Oregon City.

C. Kingman of Pullman, W. T., and Miss Ida Arthur of this city were married Wednesday evening at the residence of B. F. Hartman.

WALLA WALLA.

Mrs. Dr. Mauzey is visiting at Fort Custer, Montana.

Mrs. V. H. Brown is visiting friends at Vancouver.

L. G. Atherton is passing a month's leave of absence in Portland.

Ivanhoe social club gave their fourth informal social on Tuesday evening.

Miss Mamie James, of the *Journal*, leaves for home next Thursday on a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner of Butte, Pennsylvania, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyd of this city.

Mrs. E. L. Powell and children, and Mrs. J. H. Budgin of Waitsburg, were in the city during the week on a visit.

Mrs. D. S. Baker was severely injured by a fall Tuesday, having an ankle sprained and one of the bones of her leg broken.

A number of ladies and gentlemen are practicing for a German to be given at the residence of H. P. Isaacs next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. O'Donnell were the recipients of a surprise party Thursday evening, by about twenty of their friends.

Friends of Miss Rachel Simon gave her a surprise party last Saturday night at her home on Third and Poplar streets.

It is understood that Mrs. J. M. Abadie will be married in about a month in France, and afterward return to Walla Walla to reside.

The Oratorio society will give a concert at their hall Monday evening, January 19th. The programme arranged for the occasion is said to be the finest of its character ever offered to the citizens of this place.

TACOMA.

George E. Atkinson, superintendent of Hanson's mill, left for San Francisco Thursday on a short business trip.

I. M. Howell returned Wednesday morning to Oregon for the second term of his second year in Monmouth college.

Mrs. W. J. Fife and daughter returned from Sumner Wednesday, where they have been the past two weeks on a visit.

Miss Rosa Stanous, a teacher of elocution, who has lately taken up her residence in Tacoma, will give an entertainment of Shakespearian recitations in the Y. M. C. A. hall Monday evening, January 19, assisted by local talent.

VANCOUVER.

Miss E. L. Nickel arrived home Saturday last after having been detained by the blockade.

Captain Frank D. Baldwin and wife are once more at home at department headquarters.

Miss Emma Brant returned home from Pendleton on Monday, after a long visit in the upper country.

Mr. G. G. Bailey, nephew of Captain W. S. Patten, quartermaster department, who recently left Vancouver, has entered into partnership in the law and land business with Howard Carpenter at Oberlin, Kas.

VICTORIA.

N. Shakespeare, M. P., left this week for Ottawa, to attend the Dominion parliament.

Mrs. S. Lowe arrived home Saturday from an extended trip to the east. She was detained at St. Paul two weeks by snow.

John O. Macleod, assistant postmaster at New Westminster, and wife returned Sunday last from a visit to Prince Edward's island.

The family of Dr. McSwain has arrived from Prince Edward's island, and the doctor will begin housekeeping at once, having decided to locate here.

OLYMPIA.

At the city election Tuesday Miss Ruth Bigelow and Miss Nellie Frost were efficient clerks.

Ex-Governor William A. Newell and son arrived home last week from an extended tour of inspection of the Indian agencies east of the mountains. After a brief rest they will make a tour of the agencies in Oregon and California.

SPOKANE FALLS.

The old Illinois society has been resuscitated and holds regular meetings.

The ladies of the Congregational church gave a very pleasant concert Wednesday evening.

THE DALLES.

The early marriage of Miss Ollie Ostrander of this city and J. W. Hamilton of Roseburg is announced.

WAITSBURG.

Miss Maria Preston and Alex. Stuart were married Thursday.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mrs. C. H. Bonesteel, wife of Lieutenant Bonesteel, Twenty-first infantry, and daughter of General O. B. Greene, of the adjutant-general's department, is in Washington on a visit to her parents, and will remain there some time.

The marriage of First Lieutenant George W. Goethal's United States corps of engineers, to Miss Kitte Rodman, a sister of Lieutenant Samuel Rodman, Jr., First artillery, took place at Grace church, New Bedford, Mass., recently, in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. Lieutenant Goethals has many friends in this vicinity.

The tenth anniversary of Captain and Mrs. Evan Miles, Twenty-first infantry, was celebrated at Fort Sidney, Neb., recently. A large and varied assortment of tinware, presents from friends in commemoration of the event, was received, some of the most noteworthy being a set of jewelry, earrings, bracelets, the ring and watch to Mrs. Miles, and a plug hat and cane to the captain.

Captain Orr, of the steamer Idaho, recently placed the people of New Westminster, B. C., under obligations to him by running his boat there during the cold weather while others passed the town by. The people therefore concluded to give Captain Orr a tangible expression of their appreciation. A handsome silver water pitcher and silver tray were bought, the legend following being engraved upon the pitcher: "Presented to Captain Cyrus Orr, steamer Idaho, by the Corporation and Citizens of New Westminster, B. C., January 9, 1885." This was formally presented by the mayor in the presence of the council and a large number of citizens. An address of the most complimentary character accompanied the articles, to which a modest reply was made by Captain Orr, and the boat and its captain were heartily cheered as they left the city.

A PLEASANT DINNER PARTY.

The San Francisco *Call* of Tuesday has the following of interest to Portland people: On Sunday, after the performances of Mr. E. C. Masten's beautiful mass at the Spanish church, Professor Joseph Roeckel, with the members of his singing institute, who had sung all the *soli* of the new composition, were invited to a splendid lunch at the house of Mr. N. E. Masten, 13 South Park. The reception proved very enjoyable. Among those present were Mr. M. Kelly, the composer, and several well-known amateurs, who had helped in the choral part of the service. After the banquet some exceedingly fine music was rendered by those present. Miss Ellen Coursen sang the cavatina from "Huguenots," with her usual finish and brilliancy, and "Comin' Thro' the Rye" as an encore piece, and several operatic duets with Mr. Masten. Mlle. Marie Ponton de Arce gave some Spanish songs with exquisite taste. Miss Minnie Kin rendered a *lied* by Rubinstein in a refined manner. The quartet from "Lucia," "Che mi Frena," was effectively sung by Miss Edith Thorne, Senor Carranza, Mr. E. C. Waster, and Mr. Philip P. Amos. Among those present were Professor Joseph Roeckel, Madame Ponton de Arce, Mrs. R. F. Sides, Misses May and Edith Thorne, Mrs. Alice Baker, Mlle. Marie Ponton de Arce, Miss Ellen Coursen, Mrs. Gabriel Durard, Misses Mamie and Emelie Masten, Mrs. May Mable, Mrs. Geraldine Coursen, Miss Inez Ponton de Arce, Messrs. Victorine Carranza, Alfred A. Wheeler, Charles Peebles, Philip Amos, Thomas Dyer, L. Herman, Ernest White, K. Macaulay. The guests parted at a late hour enchanted with the cordial hospitality bestowed on them.

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

LOCAL.

Seattle Sunday schools have 1174 scholars.

The Presbyterians are going to build a church at Spokane Falls next summer.

The site for a Methodist church at Port Angeles, Washington, has been located.

St. James Episcopal church at Victoria has just been completed at a cost of $3500.

The net gain in membership for the two quarters, in Hall street church, is fifty-four.

The net profits of the recent Catholic fair at Helena were over $9000. The fair was for the benefit of the Sister's new hospital.

The revival in the First Baptist church of this city continues with unabated interest. About one hundred persons have professed faith in Christianity.

At the monthly meeting of the Tacoma Y. M. C. A., held Monday evening, Dr. J. E. Caldwell was unanimously elected general secretary of the association at a salary of $1000 per year.

Theo. Wygant, S. W. Kink and John L. Barnard were elected trustees for the ensuing three years of the First Unitarian society of Portland, at their regular annual meeting Tuesday evening.

Mrs P. F. Morey and others connected with the Calvary Presbyterian church, will this afternoon organize a Sunday school in South Portland, in the old planing mill build ng near the cricket ground.

Meetings were held in nearly all the churches of the city during the week of prayer, with excellent results. In Taylor street church the meetings are continued this week. Quite a revival interest prevails in the congregation.

The eleventh annual meeting of the St. Joseph society was held at their hall, Third and Stark streets, Sunday, January 11, at 3 o'clock P. M. The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year: President, P. Henges; vice president, N. Beutgen; secretary, A. Millstein; treasurer, Levi Anderson; directors, J. Dotnerberg, Marcus Richards, F. Dresser. The reports of the officers show the society to be in a flourishing financial condition. The object of this society is to build a German Catholic church in this city, and therefore invites every Catholic to join and aid them in their zealous work.

GENERAL.

Rev. Thomas Griffith of Albany, New York, has promised $40,000 to the Wesleyan university.

The Free Christian church in Italy has sent the Rev. Luigi Angelino to this country to raise money for a church building, and Dr. Howard Crosby will take charge of any contributions which the friends of the churchless Protestants of Italy may wish to give.

A few days ago, while some excavations were being made at the parish church of Woodnesborough, near Sandwich, two ancient altars were discovered. They are supposed to have been closed in and put out of view in the time of Cromwell. The church is of Norman origin. It stands upon a site which has long been sacred in the history of the British Isles. On the ground on which the church is built was formerly the shrine or temple of Woden. The parish takes its name from the pagan divinity.

In 1795 the Catholic church in Kentucky consisted of one priest and 1500 people. To-day, 1884, there are two bishops, 193 priests, 653 churches and stations, a Catholic population of 320,000, or one-eighth of that of the whole state, 37 seven colleges and academies, and 100 free schools, which instruct 16,341 pupils, and nine asylums and four hospitals for the orphaned and infirm members of the flock.

An unknown person about this time last year, forwarded to the editor of *Truth* 5000 new sixpences for distribution among the children in the London hospitals and workhouses. This year the editor of *Truth* has received 8000 new sixpences from the same source, with the request that the sixpences be distributed to the same class of children as last year. These 8000 sixpences will make 8000 little hearts glad. It is an example worthy of imitation.

The Methodists promise to win a success in Australia similar to that which they have won in these United States. In Sydney they have had a grand children's demonstration in the old exhibition building. The Sydney district alone reports 52 ministers, 134 local preachers, 149 class leaders, 3004 church members, 20,870 worshippers, 92 Sunday schools, with 1062 teachers and 10,036 scholars. A movement is on foot for general union on the part of the Primitives, Wesleyans and Bible Christians.

Hungary boasts of a Unitarian church organization. According to a lately published report the membership amounts to from fifty to sixty thousand. They have a theological faculty at Koslowar, with thirty students. The body generally seems to be making progress. During the year two new churches have been built, and three ministers have been ordained, of whom two had studied in England. One of the new churches is in Transylvania; and the report makes special mention of the kindness and the accommodating spirit shown by the Lutherans while the Unitarians were without a church of their own.

It is astonishing to note the vitality of the Jewish element in the large centers of population in Germany. According to the latest census there are in Berlin 54,000 Jews; in Breslau, 12,000; in Hamburg, 16,000; in Frankfort, 13,850; in Posen, 7000; in Konigsberg, 5200; in Cologne, 4600; in Munich, 3200; in Mannheim, 4000; in Strasbourg, 3550; in Hanover, 3500; in Leipsic, Mayence and Furth, each 3300; in Nuremburg, 3000; in Stettin, 2400; in Dresden, Stuttgart and Wurzburg, each 2200; in Mulhouse, Benther and Kempen, each 2200, and Altona, 2100.

Reference has been made more than once to the restoration of old St. Giles', Edinburgh, a building around which gather many stirring associations. In olden times it was wont to contain a royal pew. In the work of restoration this has disappeared. It is now announced that the queen, having signified her approval, a new royal pew is to be placed in the cathedral. The Dean Stanley memorial is ready for erection, it is a replica of the Messrs. Grant's medallion likeness of the dean which was placed in St. George's cathedral by command of the queen.

It has long been a reproach to Germany, that although the motherland of the reformation and he and of bible scholars by way of distinction, it was of all lands the least distinguished for what is generally understood by the phrase vital godliness. It would seem now as if there was a stirring among the dry bones. In consequence of what seems an increasing desire for ordinances—a desire made manifest by a larger attendance in the churches on Sunday—it has been agreed in east and west Prussia to open the churches for one hour, every week day, either morning or evening, for meditation and prayer.

The *Jewish Progress* predicts a radical change in faith in the future and a mingling of the Jew and Gentile. It says: "The desire of men for change is manifest wherever we direct our gaze. Everywhere Reform is the cry. The details of our faith have been altered to such a degree that in its ultra-reform phase it bears not the slightest resemblance to the faith of our fathers of three or four generations ago. It certainly seems that just as liberty and freedom in society leveled the distinctions of caste and broke down the barriers that separated the patrician and the plebeian, the lord of noble birth and the man of humble parentage, so liberalism and freedom of thought in religion seem to aim at a leveling of the distinction between Jew and Gentile, and to bring them closer and closer together."

Among the items of interest connected with the French Reformed church, prominence is given in the religious press to the death of the senior pastor, M. Lourties de Laplace, at the ripe age of 93, and after a period of service of seventy-two years. M. de Laplace's life has been as useful as it has long; and its influence has been felt for good in both the north and south of France. Simultaneously with the death of the old man a movement has been inaugurated by the liberal or rationalistic party in the church to make him end of the present unhappy discord which prevails throughout the body, and circulars have been issued suggesting the propriety of convening a general, and, therefore, official synod to which to submit differences. The circular points out the existing evil, and urges a spirit of conciliation in its present divided state, the church is in danger of destruction. Arrangements also are being made to put the church in a condition to meet what is felt to be inevitable and near—the separation of church and state.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES.

News of General Interest to those who have Been Initiated.

Elections and Installations—Progress of the Various Orders in the Northwest—Personal Notes—Etc.

I. O. O. F.

A new lodge is being talked of at Helix, Umatilla county.

W. G. Alban, D. D. G. P., installed the officers of Walla Wal

o all royal and select Masons throughte to be present on that occasion.
egular meeting, on Thursday night, , of Tacoma Encampment No. 6, I. he following officers were installed suing year: C. A. Hasbrouck, chief J. M. Dugau, high priest; George or warden; A. U. Mills, junior war- Levake, scribe; J. P. Cahlberg, treas- Hoeka, trustee.

evening was celebrated at the Ma- at Seattle, by the Scottish rite of Ma- ge of sorrow—the first ever celebrated gton. It was in memory of Horace ood, of the Masonic fraternity and he Masonic bodies in that city. The he late Mr Wood was present and a d guests, Mrs. Leary, Mrs. Minor, ider and Mrs. Gatzert. A choir, con- Miss Nellie Parkinson, Mrs. Bell, Mr. nd Mr Young, under the direction of wood, organist, rendered the musical ritual in a creditable manner. The one of solemnity, and was carried the following officers of the lodge: inor, commander of consistory, E. in, first lieutenant commander, John second lieutenant commander, Jas- rator, Rev John P. Damon; mas- nes, William H. Gilman, treasurer; tier, secretary, C. A. Wright. Rev Mr. Ingraham read the service in a esive way The oration was deliv- u. Mr Damon

Chosen Friends

of Victoria Council No. 1 were in- sday evening by H. Gribble, D. D. G. Partridge, P. C. C., A. S. Robertson, owell V. C. E. H. Hiscocks, S.; M. l, Gribble, T. J. Walsh, F.; J. H. ister H. Bryant, W.; Sister Hastings, ris, S.

evening the officers elect of Towns- d, No 2 of Port Townsend, were in- Allen Weir, D. D. G. M.; Past chief councillor, A. H. Tucker; ncillor, P. R. Stockand; vice com- Fitzpatrick; secretary, James Jones; D. Hill, treasurer, Robert C. Hill; W. Blake, marshal, Thomas Dela- n, T. Torgusen, guard, James Dal- ntry, Charles Finn.

A. O. Foresters.

ong of Court Willamette No. 6796, tland, held at their hall Wednesday e following officers were installed: . Woock, C. R., W. W. Monroe; secretary, Wm. Farrell, treasurer, O. n; financial secretary, C. E. Bruce; browning, J. W.; C. E. Forbes, S. ory J. W. E. Long, court physi- an, M. D. After the installation Dr. red a short address. Speeches were veral members of Court Mount Hood , and songs, music and general en- for an hour or two.

Knights of Pythias.

bits at Colfax intend to give a mas- 1 February 6.

dge No 5, of Astoria, installed the fficers for the ensuing term Wednes- g: I. W. Miller, P. C.; P. C. J. E. . F. H. Sherman, V. C.; Theo. W. L. Roth, K. of R. and S.; I. of F., P. A. Trullinger, M. of F.; man, L. G.; A. O. Christensen, O. G.

A. O. U. W.

has 6000 members in New England.

Miscellaneous.

h City has five secret organizations, d meeting of the Yamhill County Alliance will meet in Lafayette, nuary 21, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m.

280 co-operative societies in Ger- a membership of over 1,000,000, and y purchased over $675,000,000 of

nt member of the Knights of Labor nent is on foot to have Roscrans a place in the cabinet by all the abor assemblies in the country

wing officers were elected at the ting of the Longshoremen's Protec- nevolent association Friday Pres- Smith, vice president, Balair; cretary, John Tobin, financial sec- Crocker treasurer, Henry Hughes; rms, Sam Smith, trustees, Oliver Thomas Bradigan and Frank Mc-

ar meeting of the Longshoremen's sociation, held January 12, the fol- ng were elected officers for the en- President, Angus Smith vice presi- r, recording secretary, John Tobin; cretary, Alex. Crocker, treasurer, s sergeant-at-arms, Samuel Smith; ven Brodigan, Thomas Bradigan, gor. The society financially is in a ondition, with a strong membership ling

Opel, of Halle, has discovered and e original version of the congratula- dressed by Pope Urban VIII, to the rdinand II, on the occasion of the adgeberg in 1631—one of the most ts of the Thirty Years' War. Hith- ding of this letter, the wording of in keeping with the gentle precepts , has been denounced as an impos- fabrication. All doubts of its gen- e artist vanished.

nial of the death of Samuel John- lexicographer, has for some time g attention in England with the al of Wyclife. It has been made f an endless number of lectures and tions of various kinds. On the sec- of December posted reference was ccasion in the Temple church and urch of St. Clement, Danes, Strand. church Johnson was for many ar worshiper, and the pew in which the following inscription is fixed: and beside this pillar for many d divine service the celebrated Dr. son, the philosopher, the poet, the rapher. Born 1709. Died 1784."

election held by the Portland Ger- ety, the following officers were sident, John Reischer; vice-presi- gner, treasurer, Frank Dekum; l agent, C. Von Wintzingerode; wig Levy, C. H. Meusedorffer and ches; auditors, Chas. L. Kohn and , physician, Dr. Otto S. Biswanger. as now a membership of 122. It s the leading purpose of this or- erect a German hospital in this nd which is reserved for this pur- $14,000, an amount by far not large ild, equip and maintain a good ld, the 11th of February a charity wn under the auspices of society or the purpose of increasing the s for the aid of the poor destitutes.

ossibility of disestablishment utti- ning a fact is taking hold of the f England is finding confirmation d in many diverse ways. A few luncheon held in connection with on of Christ church, St. Leonard's- fr Goschen, referring to disestab- nch, of course, most churchmen id that "disestablishment would he mischief which some people

Blackie has been taken to task by bbatarians for the sin of breaking y lecturing that day about "The of Scotland." His reply to these ics is crushing. He asks for any ure which lays down a "law of oly in favor of Geneva gowns," censors to St. Paul's teaching on e wants to know if it is more im- ase the "Love Songs of Scotland" se the "Song of Solomon and, finally, he f of Solomon and, finally, he good advice is no better for being our face," and "no worse for be- with a smile." There is more real genial professor than in the sour find fault with him.

e church, Edinburgh, the church the fiery contests which pre- ous disruption of 1843, has just ng the centenary of its opening. was turned to the best account adherents of the establishment. sequal of the University of Glas- l from the words, "Every scribe o the kingdom of heaven is like a who bringeth out of his treasure and old" The principles of a said, were unchangeable as the ir author. The forms in which ed are incapable of stereotyped reopen to the manifold influences the spirit of each successive age rowing intellectual and spiritual

and throughout the east gen- missionaries have been direct- gies chiefly to the young. Ex- ught them that very little pro- made in dealing with the adult teaching, therefore, has to a ken the place of preaching, and of the church. The schools are and large numbers of Moslem s and are still being indoctrinated ples of Christianity. The Mos- iders have at last taken alarm and sent Moslem children from al- semon schools it has been decreed h shall be considered has own its 20 years of age. If it is found orce such a law it will certainly re to mission work

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OREGON'S EARLY EXPLORERS.

SIXTH PAPER BY THOS W. H. LYMAN

Already the general enterprise of Mr Astor, with its grand outlook for income for the promotion of commerce and absorption of the substantial and permanent establishment of American civilization along the banks of the Columbia, has been sufficiently outlined. Something has also been given of the transient success and appalling disasters of the expedition by sea.

We now find ourselves across the continent once more guests in the moving camp of Mr Hunt. This man was the second partner in the Pacific Fur company, of which Astor was chief. Hunt had been merchandising for some years at St Louis. His principal trade being with trappers and Indians, he had become very familiar with the requirements of the business. In addition to this primary requisite he possessed a character, native and acquired worthy of more frequent mention in our early annals and of more frequent emulation by his associates and successors. Brave, humane, patient, cheerful and resolute, he rises from the mists of history and reminiscence as the highest type of the Teutons who met with those of ancient story in their search for the fleece (this time of seal and beaver instead of gold) of the far west. To a powerful physique and iron nerve Hunt added a refinement and culture rare indeed among the bold, free spirits of the frontier.

In company with Hunt from the outset was another partner Donald McKenzie by name. He was a man insensible to fear, inured by years of hardship to the ups and downs of the trapper's life and renowned even on the border for his marvellous accuracy with the rifle. The first thing for them was to get their men. To do this all the tact and patience of Hunt were brought into full play. For a proper understanding of his position it will be necessary to briefly describe the classes from whom he was obliged to fill his ranks. There were at that time two great classes of trappers.

The first and much more numerous class was the Canadian voyageur. These men were mainly of French descent. Many of them were half breeds. They were the legacy of the old French domination over Canada. Cradled in the canoe or battoe in their earliest remembrance, being the cold skin lake or foaming river almost amphibious by nature and training, gay and amiable in disposition, with true French vivacity and ingenuity gilding every harsh and bitter experience with laugh and song with their quick sympathies and human instincts easily get ting on the best side of the strangest not least in designing but not the less patient courageous and indomitable in executing these French voyageurs were the main dependence of traffic in the wilderness.

The second class were free trappers, boss-haways they were sometimes called. These men were mainly Americans. Virginia and Kentucky were the original homes of many of them. They were the perfect archipodes of the voyageurs. Often with gigantic frames but up on prairie dew and mountain breeze with buffalo steak and wild birds flesh wrought into their nerves with nerves of steel on which at seemed might thunderbolts play even the lightnings of Missouri storms, the drifting snows of winter but down overhead to them and the furnace blasts of summer but days zephyr, gorging themselves in the midst of plenty but mocking the power of hunger and thirst when in want, mighty braggarts yet quick as light ning to make good their boasts patient and indefatigable in their work of trapping, but when on their annual trips to the towns given to wild dissipations and savage revelings, sudden and rash in quarrel careless of each other's sympathy or company, harsh and cruel to the Indians when in power over them but, bold and recklessly defiant when weaker than they, serving without compunctions the prettiest Indian women and taking horses as their rightful booty with blood always in their eyes, thunder in their voices and pistols in their hands, yet underneath it all many of them having hearts as big as buffaloes could they but be reached. This now vanished race of boss-haways has gone to a place in his tory beside the old Spartans whose great feat boasted was that their city had no wall, their army being the wall and every man therein a brick or beside the Spanish conquerors of Mexico and Peru like Orellana, who descended the Amazon in a raft and then put to sea with such a chimera of audacity that even the stormy Atlantic was frightened into acquiescence until he had pass in safet

That old streak of brutality an tyranny, originally cast into the Anglo Saxon nature and manifested in its best form in the savage grandeur of the Norse Valhal and in the overpowering energy of the Vikings, and at every emergency breaking with volcanic fury through the thin crust of modern culture has shown itself in no way more notably than in the whole Indian management of the American government. These free trappers, executed with a vengeance the unspoken but not less real policy of our government. Humanity and even shrewd policy, had little place in the thoughts and actions of most of them. The Indians were to be simply stamped on like so many rattlesnakes in the trappers code for an Indian, to even look ingratiating at a white man's horse or even to be seen in the vicinity of a beaver trap was sufficient warrant to send a rifle ball ploughing its way through his heart.

The Gallic gentleness and sociability which enabled the Canadian voyageurs to go almost anywhere unharmed among the Indians, found no counterpart in the sterner composition of the great majority of American trappers and traders.

Such were the men from whom Hunt had to make up his little army. And a vexatious job it was, too. The rivalries of opposing companies were the opportunity of the trappers. Big wages were demanded. Old whisky bills had to be paid off. The clutch of the sheriff not to be loosened by the golden lever of wages in advance. Worst of all, Hunt found at nearly every station where he tried to engage men that the agents of the Missouri Fur company chief of whom was a Spaniard named Manuel Lisa were straining his efforts by representing the the dangers from the hostile tribes and over ten wastes intervening between the Missouri plains and the Pacific. But Hunt's patience and perseverence backed up by Astor's unstinted purse overcame all obstacles, and in April 1811 the hunter rendezvous at the mouth of the Nodowa (480 miles above St. Louis) was abandoned and in four boats one of large size and mounting a swivel and two howitzers the party of 60 set forth up the almost unexplored Missouri. Of the party five were partners Hunt Crooks McKenzie Miller and McLellan. One was a clerk, Reed by name. There were two English naturalists, Bradbury and Nuttal. Forty of the party were Canadian voyageurs. They were to do the rowing, transporting, carrying, cooking, and all the drudgery in general. The remainder were American hunters and trappers. These were the fellows to hunt and fight and par and explore, and, when the proper place was reached, to cast them selves upon the mercy of savages, wild beasts, hunger and thirst and establish trapping posts. The chief of these hunters was a Virginian named John Day. We shall meet him frequently. The party was in all respects most bountifully equipped. They designed following nearly as possible the route of Lewis and Clarke.

Many interesting and sometimes thrilling and exciting scenes were encountered on the passage up the Missouri especially on their way through the country of the Sioux Tetons. But they met with no serious hindrance and on the 11th of June they reached a large village of the Arickaras 1,500 miles above the mouth of the Missouri. It had been determined before this on the advice of several hunters who joined the party in the wilderness after they had left the Nodowa to abandon their canoes at this point and securing horses, strike across the country south of Lewis and Clarkes route so as to avoid the dreaded Blackfeet who, alike the terror of the other Indians as well as of the whites, dominated all the region of the upper Missouri. So with 82 horses heavily loaded—the partners only together with the family of Pierre Dorion the interpreter being mounted—on the 18th of July they set out hopefully, though with many gloomy prognostications from trappers remaining at the Arickara village on them march across the Great American desert and through the volcanic fields of the great divide.

On the wide monotony of the sky bordered prairie they seemed to make no progress. Day succeeded day and every morning was shot up, hot and dry on appearance with the very landscape of the day before. They did not seem in fact, though taking more direct route to make so good time as did Lewis and Clarke. Guided by the Crow Indians they penetrated range after range of the stepping stones to the third ridge supposing each to be the last only to find when at it was surmounted that one yet higher succeeded and at last on the 15th of September—the summer already gone they mounted a lofty peak whence the boundless wilderness over which they had come as well as that which they must yet traverse lay like a map at their feet. Gazing silently westward their guide finally pointed out three shining peaks lodging in the western sky whose snows he assured them were washed by a tributary of the Columbia. These peaks are now known as the Tetons. The French for woman's breasts—from their peculiar shape. A hundred miles evidently lay between the weary travelers and that goal. When these they felt that they would be almost at the end of their journey little realizing the character of the thousand miles of travel yet awaiting them.

Passing the green banks of Spanish river a tributary of the Colorado they had in a large stock of the plentiful buffalo gave their horses five days' rest and grazing on the abundant grass and on the 24th of September crossing a narrow ridge found themselves on the banks of a turbulent stream recognized by their guide as one of the sources of the Snake. From the name of this guide the stream was called Hoback's river. Down the rugged promontories which flanked this stream the party descended often in danger of fatal falls, to its junction with a much larger one, which sound exceeded the first in fury of current as to receive the name of Madriver. This seemed to issue from the midst of the Tetons whose glacial and snowy immensity overtopped the camp of the travelers at the junction of the two streams. The all important question now arose, should they they abandon the horses and make canoes with which to descend the rivers. It was evident that though containing abundant water for large boats it was so impetuous as to make navigating dangerous business. But the Canadians insisted on making the attempt. Weary of the toil-someland rocky foot paths of the mountains and having all confidence in their well tried ability in handling boats in any kind of water, they longed to be able themselves once more to their favorite element and paddle in hand, their gay French songs beating time to the music of the paddles they would be ready to shoot another Niagara, if it came in their way. The partners finally gave their consent to make canoes. Forthwith the voyageurs spread out with joyful hearts to the adjacent woods when soon began to ring their best timber for the projected boats. Meanwhile parties of three whom of the redoubtable John Day was one, went down Madriver on a two days' journey. They returned declaring that neither in boats nor with horses along the banks could the party possibly go.

Disappointed in this plan they now took the advice of Hoback to go to a trapping post which had been established in the year before by Mr Henry of the Missouri Fur company. This post Hoback knew to be on one of the upper waters of the Snake and he thought that it could not be far distant. A violent storm of sleet arising in the midst of their deliberations admonished them that winter was near at hand and that they must be on their way or the other. Two Snake Indians who had come to their camp before the storm and had professed to know the location of Henry's post now agreed to guide them further. Accordingly on the 4th of October the hills all round being spotted with snow, they resumed their horseless march. Four days of cold and difficult journeying took them to a cluster of deserted log huts. This had been Henry's trading station but was now entirely abandoned. Beside the huts flowed a beautiful river a hundred yards wide. It was to all appearance a fine navigable stream. Two weeks of industrious work provided 11 canoes and in these buoyantly embarking they pushed out into the stream. Their horses were left in charge of the two Snake Indians. Nine men also including Miller one of the partners had been detached from the party at point between Madriver and Henry's river as the new stream was called. These men were to cache supplies and trap on the stream the rest on. Well provided with traps, clothes, horses and ammunition they set out cheerfully into the unknown and wintry recesses of the mountains expecting to reunite them in spring with a great stock of valuable peltries. With these they would make their best way to Astoria.

With the rapid current aiding the skillful paddles of the voyageurs whose spirits rose to an unwonted height even for them so soon as they found themselves on the water the canoes swept swiftly on toward the sunset. They soon came to the mouth of a stream which they took to be then old friend Madriver. They now considered themselves only 100 miles on the main body of the Snake and already imagination, they began to toss on the vast current of the Columbia and even to smell the salt breeze of the mild Pacific. Occasional rocky points shutting out the river and rapids which alternated with calm stretches of water whose banks shallow and grassy were enlivened with perfect clouds of wild geese and ducks. For nine days they swept gaily on with compass steadily weighing mountains making over 800 miles from the place where they had first embarked.

Then they met with a terrible disaster. In the second one of the canoes in which were Mr Crooks as bowsman and Antoine Clappine as steersman the first pearce having safely passed a dangerous rapid the second came to follow. With a sudden lurch a current seized her course and the next instant split upon a rock. Crooks and three of his companions succeeded after a hard struggle in reaching the land but Clappine one of the most popular and useful men in the company was lost amid the boiling surges. They had now arrived at an unbearable pitch of rapid and frightful bluffs among which neither boats nor horses; nothing in short but wings were of use. At the beginning of this strait was one of those volcanic cracks peculiar to the rivers of this coast in which the whole volume of the Snake is squeezed in a space of 60 feet wide. This diminutive maelstrom received from the disheartened voyagers the name of The Caldron Linn.

The whole squadron now came to a halt. It was evident that a portage at least would be needed. And from the shaggy volcanic appearance about and below them they had great fear that the obstructions extended a long distance. This fear was realized when, after a 40 mile tramp down the river, Mr Hunt discovered no prospect of successful navigation. Returning to the main body therefore and discovering that they had but five days food and no prospect of getting more he determined to divide the party into four parts hoping that some one of them might find abundant game and a way out of the lifeless volcanic waste in which they were. One party under McLellan, was to descend the river another under Crooks was to ascend it, hoping to find game or Indian guides on the way, but, if not, to keep on to the place where they had left their horses. Still another detachment, under Mckenzie struck northward across the plains having in view to reach the main Columbia.

Mr Hunt, left in charge of the main body, proceeded at once to "cache" a large part of their goods. Nine caches having been made to hold the large deposit, they took careful notice of the landmarks of the neighborhood for future return, and then got themselves in readiness to move just as soon as the word should come from any of the scouting parties. Within three days Crooks and his party returned. Despairing of success on their doleful renegade march, they had determined to share with their companions whatever might await them on the onward trip. Five days later, the party meanwhile beginning to see the ghastly face of famine staring it them two of McLellan's party returned, bidding them abandon all thought of descending the river. For many miles the river ran through volcanic sluice ways, roaring and raging, at many places almost lost from sight underneath impending crags generally inaccessible from its desert bank so that though within sound of its angry savings they had often lain down to their insufficient rest with parched and swollen tongues.

To manifest their anger at this hateful stream they named this long volcanic chute the Devil's Scuttle Hole! What now remained? Nothing evidently, but to hasten with all speed, their lives being at issue, to some more hospitable place. The party was, therefore divided in two. One division under Hunt went down the north side of the river, and the other under Crooks, took the opposite side. This was done in order to increase the chances of finding food and of meeting Indians. It was on the 9th of October that the started on this dismal and heart-sickening march. Until December 1st they urged on their course cold hungry, often near starvation. At occasional wretched Indian camps they managed to secure dogs for food, and once they got a few horses. These were loaded down with their baggage but, through scarcity of food began soon to be too weak to be of much service, and so their attenuated carcasses one by one were devoted to appeasing the hunger of the famished explorers. The country through which they were passing presented an Alpine panorama of volcanic and snowy desolation. The few frightened and half starved Snake Indians that they encountered could give no information as to the route. They signified however that the great river was yet a long way off but estimated that they had now put about 470 miles between them and Caldron Linn. They were evidently approaching something for gigantic snowy mountains, lifeless and almost treeless seemed to bar them further way. Nevertheless they persisted with the energy of despair and clambered painfully up the snowy heights until at a sufficient elevation to command a vast view. Then, with a waste of mountains in front and biting winds whirling the snow and sleet in their faces they first began to doubt the correctness of their way. The short winter's day shut in upon their despair, and they were compelled to camp in the snow. Timber was found in sufficient quantity to prevent freezing but during the night another snow storm burst on them in such fury and daylight sluggishly stealing through the now clogged atmosphere found them in a perfect cloud. The roaring river in below them was their only guide to further progress. Down the slippery and wind swept mountain side they picked their way to the river bank. Here the temperature was much milder. Devouring one of their skin and bone horses they crept down the river along the rocky brink of the brawling flood and made a third encampment. On the following morning, the 6th they were startled by seeing on the opposite bank of the stream a party of white men most forlorn and desolate than themselves. A little observation convinced Hunt that these men were Crooks and party. Shouting across the stream at last he made himself heard above the raging river. As soon as his men discovered him they screamed for food. Promptly a skin of the horse killed the night before Mr Hunt at once constructed a canoe. In this crazy craft one of the Canadians daringly and successfully crossed the foaming river taking with him a part of the horse and bringing back with him Mr Crook and Le Clerc.

Appalled at the wasted forms and despondent looks of these two men and still further disheartened at the account they gave of the unsurmountable obstacles to continuing down the river Hunt determined to retrace his steps to the last Indian camp they had passed there to make a more determined effort to obtain guide and horses. With dismal forebodings, therefore, on the following morning they took the back track. Crooks and Le Clerc were so weak as to greatly retard the rest of the party. In this extremity the men besought Hunt to leave those two to their fate while they hastened on to the Indian camp. But Hunt resolutely refused to abandon his weakened partner. The men gradually began to pass ahead until by night but five remained together in company. No provisions were left them but four beaver skins. After a night of freezing coldness one of the men being badly frost bitten Hunt finding Crooks entirely unable to travel concluded that his duty to the main company demanded his presence with the men. Accordingly having made the exhausted men as comfortable as possible and having two of the men and all but one of the beaver skins with them Hunt and the remaining three men hastened on. A day and night of famine and freezing brought them up with their companion. The pangs of hunger were beginning to tell in vacant looks and tottering steps. Some of them had not eaten for three days. Iowa deserving of that distressing day they saw with surprise and profound gratitude a lodge of Shoshone with a number of horses around it.

Hunger knew no law. They descended on the camp and seizing five horses at once despatched one of them. After a ravenous meal had satisfied their immediate necessities they bethought themselves of their deserted companions. A man was at once sent on horseback to carry food to them and them in coming up. In the morning Crooks and the remaining three men made their appearance. Food must now be got to the men on the opposite bank. But a superstitious terror seemed to have seized them concerning a they looked across the silent river to them ghostly and long gaunt the poor wretches beckoning across with bony finger looked more like spectres than men. Unable to get any of the Canadians over with the canoes they were with much ghostly fanfare to cross on the backs of their lusty hunters at last venture the dangerous undertaking. Putting forth all his strength he at last succeeded in landing a large piece of horse meat. Encouraged by this one of the Canadians returned over.

One of the starving crew frantic by his long deprivation insisted on returning in the canoe. Before they had got across the pleasant savor of the boiling meat so inspired him that he leaped to his feet and began to sing and dance. In the midst of this untimely festivity the canoe was overturned and the poor fellow was swept away in the icy current and lost.

John Day, considered when they started the strongest man in the company also crossed the river. His cavernous eyes and meager frame showed well how intense had been the suffering of the detachment on the west bank of the river. Often the wild cherrie dried on the trees together with their moccasins were then only food.

The mountains which thus turned back this adventurous band were no doubt that desolate and rather unnecessary range bordering the Wallowa country and the mouth of Salmon river. The detachments under Mckenzie and McLellan having reached these mountains before the heavy snows and having found each other there had stuck to that route until they had conquered it. After 21 days of extreme suffering and peril they reached the Snake at a point apparently not far from the site of Lewiston and building canoes there, descended the river with no great trouble reaching Astoria about the middle of January.

Hunt and his men saved from starvation by the discovery of the horses hastened on to find Indian guides. But first Hunt with his usual honesty left at the lodge (for the occupants had fled it their coming) an amount of trinkets sufficient to pay for the horses that he had taken. A few days after they reached a small village of Snakes. This the largest village that they had seen on this side the mountains they had observed on their down trip but had not been able to get any assistance from the inhabitants. Now however, with a persistence born of their necessities, they insisted on a guide. The Indians demurred, representing that the distance to the river was so great as to require from 17 to 21 days of hard traveling. They said that the snow was vast deep and that they would freeze. They were hospitably urged the party to stay with them. But as they also said I lost on the west side of the mountains was a large and wealthy tribe called the Scatogas, from whom they might get food and horses. Hunt determined to push on if he could get a single Indian to accompany him. By a most bountiful offer this desideratum was finally met. They were informed that they must cross to the west bank of the river and enter the mountains to the west. With infinite tact and patience Hunt restrained the drooping spirits of the party. Many of them wanted to cast their lot for the winter with the vagabond troop of Snakes. They shrank from crossing the chilly flood of Snake river with its huge ice blocks grinding each other with a dismal sound. Then to commit themselves again to the mountains inspired them with terror. In fact four of the Canadians together with Crooks and John Day were unable to go at all. But at last in spite of doubt and weakness everything was got together (though they were obliged to desert their six sick companions) and in the bitter cold of the early evening (December 24th) they crossed the river and at once struck for the mountains. They could make only about 14 miles a day. Their five packed horses floundered painfully through the snow. Their only food was one meal of horse meat daily. On the fourth day of their journey the mountains gave way to a beautiful valley across which they journeyed 20 miles. This must have been Powder river valley. Leaving this valley and turning again into the mountains a hoot but toilsome march brought them to a lofty height whence they looked down into a fair and snowless prairie bathing in the sunlight and looking to the winter worn travelers like a dream of summer. Soon best of all they discerned six lodges of Shoshones well supplied with horses and dogs. Thither hastening eagerly, their hungry mouths were soon filled with roasted dog. This valley which looked so much like a paradise must have been the Grande Ronde. Beautiful at all times it must have seemed treely so to these ragged and famished wanderers. The night morning the new year (1812) burst in upon them bright and cheerful as if to make amends for the relentless severity of his predecessor. The Canadians must now have their holiday. Not even famine and death could rob them of their festivals. So with dance and song and dog meat roasted boiled fried and fricseed they met the friendly overtures of the newly crowned potentate of time. Rested and refreshed they now addressed themselves as to what their guides assured them to be but a three days journey to the plains of the great river. The time was multiplied by two however ere the cloudy canopy which overarched the snowy waste to hide both the mountains from sight parted itself before a gusty breath from some warmer clime. And then was below their snow crag the stretched the trackless and sunny plains of the Columbia. Not more gladly did Cortez and his steel clad host first look from their post of observation upon the glittering halls of the Montezumas. They swiftly descended the slopes of the mountains and emerged upon that diamond of the Pacific coast the Umatilla plain.

Here the tribe of Scatoga or Tushepaws were camped 31 lodges in 200 horses strong. Well clad active and hospitable these Indians thrived out almost as would have a civilized community the well nigh frozen energies of the strangers. Rejoiced above all was Mr Hunt to see in the lodges two kettles of iron indicating that these Indians were in communication with the whites below. In answer to his eager questionings the Indians said that the great river was only two days distant and that a party of white men had just descended it. Concluding that these were McKenzie and party Hunt felt relieved of one great anxiety.

After a thorough rest the now joyful wayfarers set forth across the fertile plains and after a pleasant ride of two days on the horses obtained of the Tushepaws, lifting their eyes they beheld a mighty stream a mile wide deep, blue majestic, sweeping through the treeless plain the Columbia. The hard and dangerous part of the journey was now at an end. In the absence of him but however, and because of the unwillingness of any Indians that they met to sell canoes, they were obliged to wait till reaching The Dalles before launching upon the stream. In the vicinity of the present Rockland (they had come from Umatilla on the north bank of the river) they had a thrilling interview with the redoubtable Wishram Indians. Sharpened by their location at the confluence of all the ways down stream these Indians had clearly grasped the fundamental doctrine of civilized trade, to wit Get the greatest possible return with the least possible outlay. To his end they had heavily toll on all unwary passers. Their eyes were insatiable while the eyes of all three were otherwise engaged. In short the Wishram Indians were professional thieves.

Endeavoring first to frighten Mr Hunt into a liberal potlatch then to beg of him by representing their great services in protecting him from the rapacity of other Indians, but finding no recognition of their claims except abundant whiffs at the pipe of peace they grew out in disgust and contented themselves with picking up whatever little article might be lying round handy. After considerable haggling several newly made canoes were procured of these people and in these the last stage of the journey was begun. Nothing extraordinary marked the 200 mile boat ride down the river. Certain vague rumors among the Indians how ever about the blowing up of the Tonquin greatly disquieted Mr Hunt.

Without further incident however on the 15th of February rounding the bluffs of Tongue Point they beheld with full hearts the stars and stripes floating over the first civilized abode to the side of St. Louis. Right beyond in the partly headlands and the water bordered horizon they recognized the gateway to the illimitable ocean. As they drew near the shore the whole population of Astoria came pouring down to the cove near the midern site of Dad's saw mill now manned over to meet them. First in the crowd came the party of McKenzie and McLellan. Having no hope that Hunt and his men could escape from the winter and the famine they were the more rejoiced to see them their joy in reuniting was proportioned to the darkness of the shadow of death which had so long enshrouded them. The Canadians, with French abandon, rushed into each other's arms, crying and hugging like so many school girls. And even the hard-visaged Scotchmen and nonchalant Americans gave themselves up to the un-tinted gladness of the occasion. The next day was devoted to feasting and story telling. No doubt, like the feasting mariners of the Tuscid, they discussed with prolonged speech the adventures so to speak. These as the reader will remember were Crooks and John Day with four Canadians who had been left sick on the banks of the Snake. Little hope was entertained of ever seeing them again. But as their story is a natural sequel to that just ended it shall be given now. The next summer a party under Stuart and McLellan, on their way from Okanagan to Astoria saw wandering on the river bank near Umatilla two wretched beings naked and haggard. Stopping their canoes to investigate they discovered to their glad surprise that these beings were Day and Crooks.

Their forlorn plight was quickly relieved with abundant food and clothes and while the canoes went flying down stream with speed accelerated in the joy of deliverance.

THE OLD RUSSIAN CUSTOM OF FISTFIGHTING.

In Russia fighting was not a profession, no betting took place gambling was out of the question, so that in consequence these hastic encounters did not serve together to gether criminals of both sexes. They differed moreover, in this, that, in a majority of cases these contests were not between individuals but the people of one village fought against those of another, of the suburbs against the central part of the city of one ward against ward, sometimes thousands participated in it.

Now, this barbarous custom is almost entirely suppressed and only in very remote corners of the great empire far from all authority, do they ever occur, and then only stealth and on a small scale.

I remember as a boy I was once during the Easter holidays on a visit to a small town of Great Russia, and witnessed such a fight. It was a most exciting and stirring sigh. A large public place in the center of the town was occupied by a great mass of pleasure seekers. The appearance was very harmless. Men women and children most of them belonging to the lower classes in national holiday costume, strolled along forming groups, eating pumpkin and sunflower seeds or St. John's bread and cakes, volunteer singers amused the public unpaid, everywhere were laughter and merriment. I stood with my tutor a little aside on the steps of a store looking curiously on the picturesque scene. Suddenly sounded all over the bazaar the cry "Away women! Away! Give place!" The women thus named fled in all directions, while their children taking refuge on the raised sidewalks and beneath the empty market halls. On the opposite side of the bazaar two groups were forming, shouting, teasing, challenging one another, remaining however in their position. Only the small boys passed from word to action. On the free space between the two armies the first skirmish began it was nothing serious, however, there being more noise than fight. The fathers and elder brothers in the regular army encouraged the little champions, approving or scolding them. Gradually bigger boys joined the fighters right and left. It grew warmer. The bulk of both armies were forming in line and slowly approaching each other. All must be bare fisted and empty handed, even to hold a few copper coins in the fist to make it heavier was prohibited. It was looked on as a disgrace and disonor to the put if any one employed unfair means. In case of detection the victim received so fearful a beating that it generally ended in death or a long illness. The boldest before the line opened the fight. A terrible crash followed the links of the line of suburbans—who were fighting against those of the central part of the town were broken in a moment by the first attack, and fought now singly and in groups retreating to their quarters. I thought they were lost when I saw emerging from a narrow by street a young fellow on the side of the suburbans who was greeted with the immense enthusiasm

"The blacksmith! The blacksmith! Hurrah Ivan! Don't make a brickwall step now. Forward blacksmith! Forward! Help us beat these miserable tailors and shoemakers! Hurrah! Come ahead! Forward!"

And forward they went. Ivan the blacksmith paused for a moment. He was a short built broad shouldered man clad in black velvet trousers red cotton shirt high top boots a blue bordered fur caftan and beaver cap. Throwing his caftan on the snow he gave a short toss to his cap. A slight pull of his spread his cheeks and he disappeared into the midst of the crowd. His friends gave way before him so that he soon reached the enemy. What an influence he must have had over all this people. His friends confident of victory now stood their ground bravely, though, as yet advancing very slowly.

His antagonists lost their boastfulness calling for their chief and most renowned fighter, a huge heavy-built driver who was smothering the suburbans on another wing. As soon as he heard the cry blacksmith he tried to meet him but being surrounded on every side by a human wall, was forced to fight for every step however he could not arrive in time. The blacksmith dashing headlong into the living mass made a large break his comrades following up broke the centre dividing the enemy in two. It was terrible to see Ivan making his way. He was regarded as the strongest man in his community and how much his reputation had to do with his success was difficult to decide. Nobody faced him in the right manner right and left, the men fell as if killed. The excitement of the bystanders was so great that many could not restrain themselves. I saw such respected merchants throwing their costly fur cloaks on the snow, to join the combatants. Every order had now ceased. Wounded and swooning men were brought out every five minutes, badly disfigured and covered with blood. The fighters lost ground more and more. Their chief fighter having abandoned his position on the left wing gave the suburbans time to recover and press their antagonists with more force. At last the drivers succeeded in freeing himself, and now challenged his rival the blacksmith. As soon as the news spread among the combatants, the fight in general abated, and a wide circle was formed around the two chiefs. Well, said the driver, shall we fight for all and finish it between us two? It was the first time they had met although they knew each other by fame and they hesitated to begin. All right answered Ivan, that will be the shortest way to finish your boasting. You said you would kill me now there is a chance for you to try. Still they hesitated knowing very well that fame reputation, and perhaps life also if were at stake. But the driver lost his temper, and with a wide flourish struck the fist blow right in the breast. The blacksmith staggered, trembling from head to foot, under the heavy blow but stood his ground. Now my turn said he. Neither defended himself, but each received the strokes in plain figure. For almost two minutes they gave and received the fearful set blows. When struck on the temple the huge driver fell in a fit—three weeks later he died of inflammation of the brain—and over his body, the suburbans rushed on their enemies without doing much harm however, as the fight is allowed only on neutral ground, and once on the battlefield they were safe. In this fight almost 800 persons took part. During the first quarter of our century such fights were not infrequent among students of rival universities. Now, however, it is very different. Fighting for the sake of fighting is unknown and the vile immanly sparring exhibitions have never taken place in Russia.—[The Cottage Hearth.]

Alfred Caldwell, an inmate of the insane asylum at Salem, has two little girls, who recently went from Salem to St. Louis, where they now reside. They have, since their arrival there, fallen heir to the sum of $40,000.

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THE STREET OF SUCCESS OF THE WEEK

Monday the Portland during the past week of business the people of the state at large to the effect of Portland's prosperity. Perhaps it was even more extensive and exaggerated but the feeling of security, confidence and faith with which to take effect.

There was a profound belief that Portland is prosperous at the expense of the remainder of the state. If this were so it would be a fact to be regretted. Business has a tendency to drift to where business was already large. Simply was sure to do the business. This is a fact. Natural laws put and the better the finer genius and the more highly the intelligence of the community, the more will the business of the city and state be concentrated in it. It is only when the city is a parasite—when it lives on the country—not at the expense of country but in consequence of the wealth of it.

But the real benefit of the improvement of the city is not in the increase of business, and whatever benefit of trade, and whatever benefit of the city is not in the direct business of the city, but in the indirect benefit of the city. It is the theory that the city is built at the expense of the country. It is not true. The city is built by the country. The country is built by the city. The city is built by the country. The country is built by the city. The city is built by the country. The country is built by the city

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HE WHO DIED AT AZAN.

He who died at Azan sends
This to comfort all his friends:

Faithful friends! It lies, I know,
Pale and white and cold as snow;
And ye say, "Abdallah's dead!"
Weeping at the feet and head.
I can see your falling tears,
I can hear your sighs and prayers;
Yet I smile, and whisper this—
"I am not the thing you kiss.
Cease your tears and let it lie;
It was mine, it is not I."

Sweet friends! What the women lave
For its last bed of the grave,
Is but a tent which I am quitting,
Is a garment no more fit'ing,
Is a cage from which, at last,
Like a hawk my soul hath passed.
Love the inmate, not the room—
The wearer, not the garb—the plume
Of the falcon, not the bars
Which kept him from those splendid stars.

Loving friends! Be wise, and dry
Straightway every weeping eye.
What ye lift upon the bier
Is not worth a wistful tear.
'Tis an empty sea-shell—one
Cast of which the pearl is gone,
The shell is broken, it lies there;
The pearl, the all, the soul is here.
'Tis an earthen jar, whose lid
Allah sealed, the while it hid
That treasure of his treasury—
A mind that loved him. Let it lie!
Let the shard be earth's once more.
Since the gold shines in his store!

Allah glorious! Allah good!
Now thy world is understood.
Now the long, long wonder ends.
Yet we weep, my erring friends.
While the man whom ye call dead,
In unspoken bliss, instead
Lives and loves you, lost, but true,
By such light as shines for you;
But in the light ye cannot see
Of unfulfilled felicity—
In enlarging paradise
Lives a life that never dies.

Farewell, friends! Yet not farewell.
Where I am ye, too, shall dwell.
I am gone before your face,
A moment's time, a little space.
When ye come where I have stepped
Ye will wonder why ye wept;
Ye will know, by wise love taught,
That here is all, and there is naught.
Weep awhile, if ye are fain—
Sunshine still must follow rain,
Only not at death—for death,
Now I know, is that first breath
Which our souls draw when we enter
Life, which is of all life center.

Be ye certain all seems love,
Viewed from Allah's throne above;
Be ye sport of heart, and sense,
Bravely onward to your bonne!
La Allah illa Allah! Yea!
Thou love divine! Thou love alway!

He that died at Azan gave
This to those who made his grave.
—*Edwin Arnold.*

THE TIDAL TRAIN.

There was a great rush for the tidal train that morning from Paris. It started at a very convenient hour, 9:40, and was patronized by a crowd of people. Mossoo was there of course, in fine form, fur-coated, although summer was already come; but the fur coat is *de rigueur* with the traveling Gaul, no less than the courier bag slung over the shoulder, and the modest portmanteau of dirty white canvas containing a still more modest allowance of linen of the same ambiguous color. Americans, too returning from a tour through Europe and a lengthened halt in Paris; our own compatriots in every variety; cads, captains, countesses; a bridal pair homeward, no longer blushingly self-conscious but unmistakably bored; several sets of exclusive people, who somehow, had secured a *caisse louee* to their two or three selfish selves.

As the time for departure approached there was the usual outcry for seats. The French officials, if asked, shrugged their shoulders and pointed to the nearest carriage what they meant was, that there was still room and to spare if people did no cover up extra seats with their belongings, and so monopolize more than their share. Late arrivals thus neglected wandered miserably up and down the whole length of the train, seeking an accommodation excitedly, and in vain.

Among the rest were two ladies, one of whom, the elder, seemed greatly flurried and put out.

"I knew how it would be," she cried, in a despairing voice. "Every seat is occupied! What shall we do? why were we so late?"

She was a middle-aged, somewhat plethoric-looking dame, with an air of much importance, marred for the moment by helplessness and ill-temper.

"We shall find places presently, dear Lady Jones," replied the younger, who had the rather sycophantic air of a humble friend. "The guard will help us."

"They never do, and they don't understand. Dear! dear! why didn't we come in time? It is all your fault, Hester"—this to the maid who followed them as they ranged backward along the platform—"you ought to have packed last night. What shall we do? Oh, thank you so much!" she cried suddenly with effusion.

A gentleman, who, apparently, had been watching her distress, pushed open the door of the carriage he occupied, and invited her to enter. His companion, another man at the far end, made room by removing rugs and bags, and presently Lady Jones with a sigh of relief sank back into the cushions. Then, with feminine selfishness, and forgetful of the trouble she had but just escaped, she proceeded to prevent any one else from getting in.

"Cover up the seats well, Millicent," she cried, "and do keep that door shut. Oh, thank you, sir," she added to one of the men, who seemed to fall in readily with her idea of keeping the carriage to themselves.

There was nothing very remarkable about Lady Jones' new-found friends. One was a tall, dark man, with a clean-shaved face, and very dark eyes which glared out from under the shade of a black felt hat the other was smaller—a restless little freckled-faced man, with a short red beard cut and trimmed to a point. They did not look like Englishmen, but they spoke the language fluently with a slight American accent.

The first, somewhat fierce demeanor of the dark man had the desired effect. When he said abruptly, "Il n'y a pas de place," people retired discomfited, and as time was nearly up, Lady Jones began to hope that their privacy and comfort would not be disturbed. Almost at the last moment a man came to the door, importunate and persistent.

"Any room?" he asked in English, as he stood on the doorstep. Then get ing no answer, he repeated the question in French, "How many are you?". Still no answer; so he counted for himself, and went away.

Lady Jones was delighted; but her triumph was of short duration. The last arrival came back at once with a whole posse of French officials at his back, the chief of whom, in a voice of authority, repeated the inquiry.

"How many are you? Four? More to come? Impossible! The train is starting. *Entrez monsieur; entrez, vite;*" and the next minute the stranger was bundled in to the carriage, the door was shut with a bang, the horns sounded, and the train went off at express speed.

The occupants of the carriage, Lady Jones in particular, resented this unceremonious intrusion.

"Extraordinary!" she said, in a loud aside to Millicent. "People never know when they are in the way!"

"So forward and pre-uming!" replied the young lady.

"In my country," said the dark American, "men never intrude themselves on ladies. They wait to be asked."

"We have a very short way of settling with them if they do," added the short man offensively.

"And, pray, what do you do with them?" asked the last comer quietly.

He was a typical Englishman, cool and selfpossessed, with a broad honest face framed in by square-cut grayish whiskers. His upper lip was clean shaven, showing his firm, rather hard mouth, and his blue eyes were steady and penetrating. Not a man to be trifled with, in spite of his calm manner and unobtrusive demeanor.

"What do you do with them?" he repeated, looking hard at the insolent little red man.

"Pitch them out of the window, or on to the line.

"Would you like to do it now?" said the other.

"Be quiet, Thaddy," interposed the dark man; "remember there are ladies present."

"Don't mind me, gentlemen, if you wish to give him a lesson," said Lady Jones, who had espoused the part of her first friends.

The Englishman looked at her rather keenly, but made no remark. Nor, although they continued to talk at him and about him for the next half hour, did he take any further notice of them, but read a novel attentively which he had extracted from his little black bag.

By the time they reached Amiens quite a pleasant intimacy had sprung up between Lady Jones and the Americans. The four went to the buffet and breakfasted together. Returning to their carriage they found that the Englishman had disappeared, so they made merry at his expense.

"Quite a common man," remarked Lady Jones.

"Probably a bagman," added Millicent.

"What we call a drummer," said the dark Yankee.

"A dull, stolid, stupid-looking Cockney," said the red-haired man. "We are well quit of him."

But they had not done with him yet. He was there on the quay as the train ran alongside the Boulogne steamer; they saw him again on board with his little handbag, and always calm and imperturbable. Only once did he betray the slightest emotion: it was when a man came up to him as he stood near the funnel, and, with an almost imperceptible salute, addressed him as Mr. Hopkinson.

"Hush, you fool!" he replied angrily. "Don't mention names here."

It was too late, however; many of those around had hear l the name, and among the rest the two Americans, who were smoking close by.

"Come aft, Thaddeus," whispered the tall man. "Did you hear that name?"

"I did, by thunder! It must be that murdering villain himself."

"And you, you fool, to get quarreling with him in the train!"

"Do you think he has his eye on us?"

"You may take your oath on that."

"What in the name of conscience shall we do?"

"Leave it to me; I have a dodge, if I can only work it."

The steamer being very crowded, Lady Jones and her party had been unable to secure a private cabin. They had to stay on deck, and by no means in a good place. But, thanks to the attention of her American friends, Lady Jones was made comfortable with rugs and wraps near one of the paddle-boxes, while Millicent and the maid sat close beside her. The voyage across the channel was not good, and the ladies reached Folkestone in a more or less battered condition. Now, the Americans, like chivalrous gentlemen, came out in their true colors. Nothing could exceed their kindness. They took infinite trouble to prepare the party for going ashore; they helped the maid to fold and strap up the rugs, and made themselves generally useful. Lady Jones was so grateful and so charmed that she begged them to call on her in London, and gave them her address.

When the porters rushed on board, Lady Jones desired one of them to go at once and secure her a carriage.

"Can't be done, mum," he replied. "All the things have to be examined before they let us through to the train."

"Absurd!" said her ladyship, "they won't examine mine. I am Lady Jones."

But her ladyship was no better than an ordinary person before the law. The custom house officers were inexorable; and in spite of her protests, all her small parcels, and those of her party, were taken into the search-room, and laid out on the counter. With an imperious wave of the hand, an official ordered her to follow them. To make matters worse, the quiet Englishman, to whom she had been so rude in the train, was standing there at the doorway, talking to two other men, and laughing, as she thought, at her distress.

For the moment her two American friends were nowhere to be seen.

"I never heard of such a thing!" she said indignantly to Millicent, as the officials searchers turned everything out of her gold mounted dressing-case, and then proceeded to unroll the rugs. "What do you take us for?"

"Everybody is treated alike, dear Lady Jones. I suppose they are afraid of Fenians, or dynamite, or something."

"It is preposterous, disgraceful! Sir John will write to the papers—I beg your pardon."

This to an official who has said to her twice, "What is this?"

A small parcel done up in strong brown paper, securely tied and sealed.

"I haven't the least idea. Something of my maid's or Millicent's"—this young lady here. "I really can not say."

But while she chattered on with accustomed garrulity the custom house officer had already cut the strings, undone the parcel, and laid bare a small, plain tin case.

It had a lid, which was easily opened. Inside were a number of slabs of a whitybrown sugary-looking substance, which might have been tenth-rate chocolate or indifferently-made "toffee."

"Some sort of sugar," said Lady Jones. "How odd! I cannot imagine—"

"It's just what I expected," said a quiet voice behind. "Hand it over, Mr. Saunders. This is my affair."

"What, Mr. Hopkinson, are you here?"

"Very much to the spot this time, I think, Mr. Saunders. Now, ma'am"—to Lady Jones—"where are your other friends?"

"How dare you speak to me," she replied hotly, recognizing her old enemy on the train. "I am Lady Jones."

"Of course, all right," replied the man called Mr. Hopkinson. "But there," he went on, half to himself, "we don't want any scandal nor noise. We might lose the others;" and with that he whispered a few words to an attendant, and drew back into the crowd.

The examination of Lady Jones' baggage was complete, everything was repacked, and the party proceeded toward the train. Just as they passed the refreshment room, a railway guard came up, and, touching his cap, said, "The station-master has reserved you a compartment. Please come this way."

"How uncommonly civil of him, to be sure," cried her ladyship. "I suppose it is to make up for this annoyance. I am really much obliged."

Within five minutes the two ladies were stored away in a carriage by themselves and the door securely fastened. Presently the train ran out of the station up the hill to Folkestone town, and Lady Jones who was rapidly recovering her equinimity, after a few ejaculations of delight at being home again, composed herself to sleep in one corner of the carriage.

But fresh annoyance was in store for her. At Folkstone town station the carriage was unlocked, and three men got in; one of them, to Lady Jones' indignation and dismay, was Mr. Hopkinson, with his black bag, which he kept on his knees.

"You mustn't come in here," she said, loftily; "this carriage is reserved specially for me. I am Lady Jones."

"O, are you?" replied the other. "It is time you should know who I am. My name—"

"I am sure don't care to know."

"My name is Hopkinson. I am chief inspector of police from Scotland Yard."

"Well," said Lady Jones, still bold, but with much inward misgiving. "I really do not understand."

"By this time my men will have arrested your two confederates—your friends who helped you in trying to keep me out of the train at Paris. I knew them all along."

"My friends! I never met them before this morning! Why, I don't even know their names!"

"That won't do. You know as well as I do that they are Phelim Cassidy and Thaddeus O'Brien, American Fenians—"

"Gracious heavens!"

"With whose connivance you have attempted to convey dynamite into England—a nice little lot of 'Atlas powder' in slabs, too, for convenience in packing."

"I deny it, most positively! I—I—"

"Case is too strong against you. Why, the stuff was found in your possession and I have it here in my bag; enough to wreck the whole train."

Lady Jones shrieked

"Do you mean to tell me that there is dynamite here in this carriage? Oh, do, please, throw it away!"

"The concussion would certainly explode it and we should all be blown to kingdom come! Don't be frightened; you traveled with it all the way from Paris and would have carried it on to London yourself."

"I assure you I know nothing of all this. I am Lady Jones, the wife of Sir John Jones of Hadleybst. Millicent, help me to explain to him who I am."

The detective shook his head doubtfully.

"It may be as you say, but I don't quite see it my way. Wait till we get to London. If you can prove your identity, at any rate, you may escape being locked up, the magistrates may give you bail."

With this cold comfort Lady Jones had to be satisfied, and in dire terror and discomfort she made the rest of the journey to London. Hopkinson, it must be confessed, had already made up his mind that it was as Lady Jones had said; but he chose to keep her in suspense.

On reaching Cannon street, the guard brought him a telegram. The detective read it with strong symptoms of disgust.

"Slipped through my fingers! Just when I thought I had them, too! It's the very mischief. What shall I do next?"

After a pause of deep thought he turned suddenly to Lady Jones.

"Do these men know your London address? Yes. Well, if you will assist us now, I think I can promise that nothing more shall be said about this unfortunate affair. But first, you must be secret, silent as the grave. Can I trust you? And this young lady?"

Millicent and Lady Jones answered in a breath, promising to be most circumspect.

"My idea now is that those scoundrels only planted the stuff on you, hoping it would pass unnoticed; whether it did or not they would know by the morning papers which would be sure to publish an account of the seizure of dynamite. Well," went on the detective, "no one must know a syllable of this; there shall be nothing in the papers, or anywhere. To-morrow or next day they will call at your house to recover their small parcel, explaining that it slipped in among your rugs by mistake. If they do we have them; do you understand? And will you help?"

Lady Jones only too gladly assented.

That night the house in Parley street was practically in the possession of the police, Sir John entered into the spirit of the thing gave his hall porter a holiday, and installed Hopkinson, disguised, in his place. On the third day the dark American called, sent up his card, and was given the dynamite. As he left the house his red-headed companion joined him and both were arrested before they had turned the next corner. Their trial, with the examination of Lady Jones, was one of the events of the season.—[London World.

Reminiscences of Wormley.

Wormley was perhaps the most famous nurse of this century writes a Washington correspondent of the Chicago *Times*. Among the great men he attended were Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, Stephen A. Douglas, Henry Wilson, Charles Sumner, and others of equal prominence in the history of the country. When Lincoln was shot Sumner and Zach Chandler sent at once for Wormley. He went to the Peterson house, and remained with the president until he died. In this connection it will be remembered that subsequently Littlefield, the artist, painted a picture, "The Death Bed of Lincoln." At first some of those present objected to having Wormley in the picture, although he was one of the most conspicuous figures, and was holding Lincoln's head in his hands when he breathed his last. Sumner and Zach Chandler heards about it, and threatened to expose the whole matter, and as a consequence the objection was withdrawn.

The trouble over that picture did not end there. It appears that as soon as Booth fired the fatal shot there was a cry "Is there a physician in the theater?" Dr. Charles S. Taft of the army, happened to be present, and he was at once to the side of the dying president. It was through his orders that Lincoln was removed to the Peterson house. Taft remained with Lincoln until he died. Of course he expected to be represented in the picture, and was, but Surgeon Crane had Taft scratched out and his own inserted in its place. This picture was photographed when first painted, and clearly showed Taft where Crane now is. In the famous Grant-Greeley campaign you remember Charles Sumner addressed a letter advising all colored men to vote for Greeley. That letter was written to Wormley, although the fact has never been made public before. When Garfield was shot Drs. Bliss and Barnes sent for Wormley, and he supplied all the beef tea and other extracts used at the White house during that terrible summer.

A statement has been widely published that Wormley's daughter married one of the French legation. That is not true. His niece, a daughter of his brother Ralph, married Paul Girard, the first secretary of the French legation, some years ago, and afterward died in France. Among the colored population here Wormley was held in the highest esteem. He had more influence than Fred Douglass, for the reason that Douglass had always been suspected of trading his power with the G. P. for his personal advantage. Wormley, on the contrary, studiously avoided the whirlpool of politics and devoted himself almost exclusively to his hotel business, in which he amassed a considerable fortune. He entertained no colored guests at his house, and they never gave him any trouble by making application for accommodations.

Tired of Being Depressed.

When people get to disputing whether times are hard or not, it would seem reasonable to suppose that times can not be extremely bad. The year opens with the optimists and pessimists hard at it, each side argues with arguments of a rogue nature, but the optimists are likely to win in the long run, as the American people, now 50,000,000 strong, in the richest country on earth, must, sooner or later, grow tired of being depressed. By this time the bad symptoms are well known, and it is natural that the signs of healthy growth and development should receive attention. It appears that, in spite of shutting down, half-time, slack trade, and the like, the number of operatives out of work is less than 150,000. This cannot be regarded as abnormal in the depth of winter, out of a population of 50,000,000, and as the percentage in England is only 7 per cent., while in Minnesota it reaches 40 per cent., it is evident that manufacturers are not by any means in their last gasp, but are holding their own with firmness. A recent canvass of trade all over the land shows, too, that stocks are unusually light, and inquiries for spring delivery are numerous. Things do not long remain at the point where men starve because bread is so cheap, and where they cannot clothe themselves and possess comfortable houses because garments and furniture cost so little.—[Industrial American.

Yakima *Signal*: The retiring board of county commissioners appointed Miss Katie Feuerbach to fill he unexpired term of County Auditor Munson. The new commissioners will perhaps give her a further appointment to fill the new term for which Mr. Munson had been elected at the recent election. Miss Feuerbach has conducted the business as deputy for a long time, and has given very general satisfaction.

The first passenger train arrived at Yakima January 8th.

THE JOBURGS.

Remarkable Revelations Made by the Posthumous Memoirs of Caroline Bauer.

A Thoroughly Disreputable Royal Family—Gossip About Paganini, Mendelssohn and Bontag.

It is not surprising that the posthumous memoirs of Caroline Bauer should have attracted much attention in England, and been seized upon with avidity by enemies of the royal family and by the radicals who wish to hopelessly discredit the institution of royalty. For while these memoirs purport to recount the curious and somewhat piquant adventures of a handsome German actress, their real purpose is to unveil the private lives of the principal members of the Saxe-Coburg family, about which the England of our century has heard so much, and with which it has thrice been brought into such close relations. Queen Victoria herself is half a Coburg, and in the Prince of Wales there is an additional infusion of the same questionable strain.

The recent chain of matrimonial alliances between the English royal and the Saxon ducal families began in 1818, when Princess Victoria of Coburg, daughter of Duke Francis, and widow of the prince of Leiningen, married the duke of Kent, brother of George IV. The luckless brother, Prince Leopold (afterward king of the Belgians) married the Princess Charlotte, the only child of George IV, and heir apparent of the British crown; and finally, Leopold's nephew, Prince Albert of Coburg-Gotha (his mother was the heiress of Gotha, and his father Duke Ernst of Coburg), married, we need not add, Queen Victoria soon after her accession to the throne. We may here mention that Prince Albert's mother, nine years after she brought her husband the heritage of Gotha, was divorced for repeated infidelities, and married for her second husband a simple lieutenant, who thus became the grandfather-in-law of the present prince of Wales. We are told in these memoirs that even in her death she was eccentric: "She settled a considerable annuity upon her husband, the lieutenant, on condition that he should *never* part with her body. Should he pass even one night only in a house which did not at the same time harbor the remains of his deceased partner he would lose his annuity. For years the luckless lieutenant dragged about with him the embalmed corpse of his spouse from place to place, but one morning, to his terror, he found that the precious coffin had vanished. He had in the meantime married a Fraulein Carlowitz. When he found that his annuity continued to be paid to him he soon got reconciled to this loss." The house of Coburg-Gotha, it seems, had felt constrained, for very shame's sake, to put an end to the ever renewed newspaper gibes about the wandering corpse.

It must be owned, if any faith can be put in the disclosures made in these curious volumes—and none of the author's assertions have as yet been authoritatively denied—that the prince of Wales would come honestly, as the saying is, by a propensity to follow in the footsteps of his great uncle, George IV. It cannot be disputed that the Coburgs have been for many generations emphatically a bad lot. Even among German princelings they have shown themselves conspicuously vicious and shabby, and until the head of the house won the heiress of Gotha, and two cadets managed to fasten themselves like leeches on the English civil list, they were exceptionally poor. At the end of the last century the little state of Coburg had an annual revenue of less than $65,000, and the duke's debts exceeded $750,000. An imperial commission ordered on behalf of the creditors and taxpayers, and virtually threw the duchy into the hands of a receiver, allowing the duke but $4000 a year for the total expenditure of his relatives and household. He lived, it seems, so frugally in 1750 that he "never had more than three courses at dinner; but his narrow stipend did not suffice even for that, and had to be eked out with loans from a loyal and obsequious 'Land-kummerath' named Stockmar, for which loans, by the way, though they amounted in the end to upward of $12,000, none of Stockmar's descendants have ever received a farthing. Such were the circumstances in which Queen Victoria's mother, the duchess of Kent and her uncle, the fabulously wealthy husband of an English princess royal and king of the Belgians, were brought up.

The Duke Ernst, elder brother of Prince Leopold, seems to have been one of the worst of a disreputable family. His treatment of a beautiful Greek, whom he met in Paris in 1807, and whom he forced to become the lady companion of his sister, the Grand-Duchess Constantine, was nothing short of infamous, if we may trust the story of the lady herself, who, like Caroline Bauer (who was in her turn to suffer at the hands of the younger brother, Leopold) avenged herself by writing some very candid memoirs. Very edifying are the letters quoted in these volumes, written by the duchess mother, of the pious stock of Reuss Ebersdorff, to the mistress of her eldest son. In her extremity the Greek addressed an appeal for help to the prince of Leiningen, who had married, it will be remembered, the sister of her betrayer, Queen Victoria's mother and received the following by no means comforting reply: "I know the people with whom you have to do. I cannot sufficiently recommend you to distrust them. I have I not myself been the dupe of their promises? And did I not amuse me with Tom words before I entered their family? And since I entered it, they have not kept a single one of their engagements." Without money, linen, food and sometimes without coal, the unhappy Greek was finally delivered of a son, and was bullied by the duchess mother into consenting not to plead for any further recognition in consideration of a promise that her child should be received from want. She was rewarded for her meekness with sundry unctuous exhortations, and graciously permitted to lend the duchess a French gown to be worked by a Coburg dressmaker. Later on the duchess mother went so far as to send the penniless stranger a gift of $20 to expedite her departure. Young and pretty as you are," suggested the devout duchess in a letter urging the unhappy woman to hie to Paris, "you have a rich future and much pleasure before you." We scarcely need to add that the pension of $600 which the Coburgs agreed to give for the maintenance of the child, and subsequently cut down to $200, was very seldom paid until the Grand-Duke Constantine espoused the cause of the abandoned mistress and neglected son of his ducal motherin-law, whom he sneeringly describes as "feigning over six peasants and two village surgeons." It is, however, worth mentioning that, on a subsequent journey from Frankfort to Vienna, several efforts were made to kill the inconvenient witnesses of a duke's vicious depravity—once through the upsetting of a carriage into an abyss, and frequently through poison. Even after her arrival at Vienna, an Italian, Pioni, tried no less than six times to poison the fair Greek, whom the Prince de Ligne, a great connoisseur in beauty, pronounced not only one of the most beautiful women in the world, but an angel to boot.

The worthy British taxpayers, who for considerably more than half a century have supported divers members of this interesting family, not only knew nothing about its private history, but, through the busy meddlation of courtly and venal pens, acquired a most preposterous conception of them. No sharper antithesis could be invented than is offered by the authentic German tradition to the Coburg legend which has circulated in England since the marriage of Prince Leopold to the daughter of George IV., and which has received its latest consecration in Theodore Martin's life of the late prince consort. By this legend the princes of the Coburg family are held up to the English lieges as the patterns of royal merit and conjugal perfection; as men of great powers of intellect, of extraordinary cultivation, of flawless integrity, and of stainless purity. The virtuous Miss Hannah More beheld in the hero of these memoirs (the Pecksniffian husband of the Princess Charlotte) a species of royal saint, a modern counterpart of the pious King Josiah; and the impression was once current among the artless readers of the "Idyls of the King," that in the blameless "Arthur" the poet intended to reveal the sublimated features of Albert the Good. Neither that impression nor any other left by the Coburg legend is likely to survive the spirit of inquiry awakened by these volumes, which, curiously enough, are due to a niece of the very man. Baron Christian von Stockmar, who was successively the confidant and mentor of King Leopold and of Prince Albert, who inspired most of their meritorious and all of their wise acts, and who, since the publication of his own memoirs, has been recognized as the shrewd, far-sighted but dogmatic, prejudiced, and by no means scrupulous man, who for some 50 years really pulled the wires by which his royal and princely puppets were made to play their parts in public life.

Caroline Bauer, who at the age of 22 had acquired a distinguished position in the Berlin Court theater, and who then, as she believed, became the morganatic wife of Prince Leopold of Coburg (elected two years later king of the Belgians), was much more respectably connected than the rank of German actresses, or, indeed, than the great majority of feminine recruits to the stage in any country. Her father, Heinrich Bauer (whose family is said to be a branch of the princely Polish family of Poniatowski), was an officer in the grand-ducal Baden regiment of dragoons, who, coming to Coburg as the equerry of Prince Alexander of Wurtemberg, fell in love with, and married Christiane Stockmar, the daughter of the obliging land-kammerath, who had helped, as we have seen, to pay for the food and clothes of the Coburg ducal family. It was, we repeat, Christiane's brother Christian who began as the medical adviser of Prince Leopold of Coburg, and became, after the latter's marriage to the Princess Charlotte, his secretary and factotum—being raised at Leopold's request to a baronry by the king of Saxony in return for services more or less avowable. The father of the baron's niece Caroline was soon killed in battle, and his sister Christiane was left with four children to bring up on a captain's pension, which is small enough even in England, but in the German principalities is a pittance indeed. The younger of her two daughters, Caroline, a tall, handsome, and graceful lassie—evinced, from a very early age, a strong love for acting; made her debut on the court-stage in Carlsruhe in 1822, being then only 15, and excited so much favorable comment that she was presently offered an engagement in Berlin.

The first of these two volumes is mainly devoted to Fraulein Bauer's experiences on the Berlin stage, where, with the exception of a visit to St. Petersburg, she remained during the next six year. She was brought in contact during her professional life in Berlin with many celebrities of the artistic world whose names are by no means forgotten. We hear, for instance, something about Paganini, Zelter, and Zelter's famous pupil, Felix Mendelssohn; and about Meyerbeer, whose real name was Jacob Beer, but who in his boyhood prefixed to his own the name of a rich Herr Meyer that had made him his heir and finally about Ignaz Moscheles.

Many legends were and are current about Paganini. It was averred, for instance, that "A murder he did commit, but not on his wife (as another report had it), for he was never married, but on a rival whom his mistress had favored; and for this crime he had to languish for six years in a dark subterranean dungeon in Genoa without seeing or hearing a human being during the whole period." On his pressing entreaty a violin was left to him, and to it he confided his sorrow. But one string snapped after another without his being able to repair or replace them, and at last only the G string remained. So he learned to play upon this one string, and to produce the most surprising sounds. It was said that he could on this single cord mew like a cat and scream like a quarreling old hag, but also sing like a bird, ring like a silver bell, and weep like a human soul, so that even the most callous listener would shed tears of heartfelt pity."

The relatively homely facts were related to Fraulein Bauer by Paganini himself. "His father, a small tradesman in Genoa, he came very early aware that he had in his little Nicolo a musical prodigy and also a good paying cow. With the most cruel fegerity he compelled the child to incessant practice on the violin, thus robbing him of health and all enjoyment. The young virtuoso was exhibited by his father at every private and public concert where money was to be gained with the consequence that the selfish parent was bitterly hated by his son. The last, after his father's death, like a released slave, rushed into every kind of frantic dissipation, with the result that before he was a man he had destroyed his weakly constitution." At the age of 21 he obtained the appointment of court virtuoso to the Princess Elisa Bacciochi. He undertook, with a violin string only with two cords the G cord and the fifth, to represent a duet between a young girl and her lover. The success of this experiment led him to attempt a still more remarkable tour de force, and so one week afterward he composed his Napoleon Sonata for the fourth cord only. "The result," he said, "surpassed his boldest expectations, and his preference for the G cord dated from that time." It is not generally known that the corpse of Paganini was long denied Christian burial and has often stood for many years above ground in his son's villa.

At Berlin Fraulein Bauer had often danced with Felix Mendelssohn, who was two years younger than herself, and whom she described as then the most charming and amiable youths imaginable. It seems that at the age of 15 Felix had already composed three operas which were performed at home. On the completion of his three-act comic opera, "Der Onkel aus Boston," Zelter said to him: "Till to-day you were my apprentice, now you have worthily accomplished your journeyman piece, henceforth work for the masters up." He did become a master, but why it was not in operatic composition is explained in these pages. It was not merely that his opera, "Die Hochzeit des Kamacho," proved a dead failure at Berlin, but he encountered the most discouraging criticism and all kinds of chicanery from the operatic world.

Some fifty pages of this book are devoted to Henrietta Sontag, and a good deal of light is thrown on the extraordinary incidents of her history. Her failings are touched lightly, though the writer is obviously aware of them. One—her love of gambling—is less known than her passion for admiration. "Next to her skillful coquetry," says Fraulein Bauer, "I only know of one weakness in Henrietta Sontag—a strange passion which even then in Berlin showed itself in a marked degree, and which was to cause many bitter hours to Countess Rossi afterward; nay, which perhaps was among the causes which compelled her excellency, the ambassadress, to sing again for money—her passion for gambling. During the most animated soiree, the gayest ball, Henrietta would sit in an adjoining room at the card-table with the gallant Russian Ambassador Alopeous, and for hours, with feverish haste and perhaps twenty packs of cards, play the thousandth game of 'grab.'"

When Fraulein Bauer, under the astute management of her cousin, Baron Stockmar, went (as we shall see) to England to become the Countess Montgomery by a species of left-handed marriage with the afflicted widower of the Princess Charlotte, she saw something of London playhouses; and the opinion of one who was herself an accomplished actress and thoroughly familiar with the standards and modes of the German stage will be found worth reading. On the whole, the London theater had but very little attraction for her. "I never before," she says, "saw so much mannerism on the stage as I did at London. What an unnatural straddling, intolerable accentuating, crawling, hissing and stretching of every sound—perfectly sickening! I beheld a Macbeth who played as if he had been strung on a wire; a Desdemona whom I saw strangled by her Othello with the greatest satisfaction. Her squeaking and squeeling so sometimes provoked me that I should have felt a delight in strangling this Desdemona with my own hands. Lady Macbeth walked and talked as if on stilts, and she rubbed and wrung her blood-stained hands with as much vigor and persistency as if she were a washwoman."

But there is nothing in these enjoyable volumes more interesting than the story of the author, and to that we shall confine ourselves on a future occasion.—[New York Sun.

SAILORS' CLOTHING.

How the Sailors' Weaknesses Often Interfere with His Outfit—His Ingenuity and His Vanity.

The fates seem to have willed it that the sailor should not be allowed to do anything in the same manner as his fellow-being, the landlubber. Not only is Jack unable to eat, sleep, and disport himself generally in the shore style, but he must also dress in a manner different from the landsman. The costume of the man-of-war's man is familiar to every one who has either studied the picture books or frequented the theater. The massive collar ornamented by a snowy lanyard, which is so suggestive of a hangman's noose when off duty; the jaunty cap, with the neat little signboard on the hand, and the classic trousers, which wind up by tapering outward in such bountiful sweeps that by comparison they cause the haughest feet to appear tiny, are all necessary to the well-being of the navy. But in the merchant service no uniform is worn by the men. Jack, when on a merchant man, is at liberty to wear anything that he can procure, and he is careful to procure no garments which would ever lead to his being mistaken for a landsman.

When Jack is paid off after a long voyage, he thinks it but he will purchase such articles of clothing as he will require on the next voyage. But as there is no hurry he puts off his shopping excursion to some uncertain date and proceeds to make up for his long abstinence from the material enjoyments of life. By the many means of enjoyment at his hand, he succeeds in shattering his nerves at last, but the same time that he spends his last dollar. When he ships again and receives an advance pay to the amount of about $25. He expends a portion of that sum in the purchase of thread, matches and soap, and the remainder he judiciously lays out in exhilarating liquids, with a view to bracing up the nerves which he recently shattered. But as soon as the vessel leaves port he begins to regret that while he had money in his pocket he did not lay in a more extensive stock of supplies. He is then obliged to apply to the captain, who keeps what is called a "slop chest." This term signifies a stock of clothing which is sold to sailors at an advance of not more than 200 or 300 per cent. on the original cost. Jack's ordinary day costume consists of a woolen shirt and a pair of coarse trousers, held up by a belt, to which is attached either a sheath knife or the less murderous knife so use in the navy. Jack covers his head with a coarse cap or hat and wears shoes of the same description when the weather is not either warm or stormy. In warm weather he wears neither shoes nor stockings, and when it is stormy he has on sea boots, which are usually made of rubber. In cold weather he puts on a thick garment called (which is known variously as a pea jacket, a monkey jacket, or a monkey pea jacket. It is under no circumstances will Jack consent while at sea to ornament his person either with a waistcoat or a boiled shirt. The latter he regards as too flimsy and the former as too ornamental for his use. When engaged in work which requires the constant manipulation of tar and slush he puts on a garment called "land-kummerath" named Stockmar for which loans, by the way, though they amounted in the end to upward of $12,000, none of Stockmar's descendants have ever received a farthing. Such were the circumstances in which Queen Victoria's mother, the duchess of Kent and her uncle, the fabulously wealthy husband of an English princess royal and king of the Belgians, were brought up.

The Duke Ernst, elder brother of Prince Leopold, seems to have been one of the worst of a disreputable family. His treatment of a beautiful Greek, whom he met in Paris in 1807, and whom he forced to become the lady companion of his sister, the Grand-Duchess Constantine, was nothing short of infamous, if we may trust the story of the lady herself, who, like Caroline Bauer (who was in her turn to suffer at the hands of the younger brother, Leopold) avenged herself by writing some very candid memoirs. Very edifying are the letters quoted in these volumes, written by the duchess mother, of the pious stock of Reuss Ebersdorff, to the mistress of her eldest son. In her extremity the Greek addressed an appeal for help to the prince of Leiningen, who had married, it will be remembered, the sister of her betrayer, Queen Victoria's mother and received the following by no means comforting reply: "I know the people with whom you have to do. I cannot sufficiently recommend you to distrust them. I have I not myself been the dupe of their promises? And did I not amuse me with Tom words before I entered their family? And since I entered it, they have not kept a single one of their engagements." Without money, linen, food and sometimes without coal, the unhappy Greek was finally delivered of a son, and was bullied by the duchess mother into consenting not to plead for any further recognition in consideration of a promise that her child should be received from want. She was rewarded for her meekness with sundry unctuous exhortations, and graciously permitted to lend the duchess a French gown to be worked by a Coburg dressmaker. Later on the duchess mother went so far as to send the penniless stranger a gift of $20 to expedite her departure. Young and pretty as you are," suggested the devout duchess in a letter urging the unhappy woman to hie to Paris, "you have a rich future and much pleasure before you." We scarcely need to add that the pension of $600 which the Coburgs agreed to give for the maintenance of the child, and subsequently cut down to $200, was very seldom paid until the Grand-Duke Constantine espoused the cause of the abandoned mistress and neglected son of his ducal motherin-law, whom he sneeringly describes as "feigning over six peasants and two village surgeons." It is, however, worth mentioning that, on a subsequent journey from Frankfort to Vienna, several efforts were made to kill the inconvenient witnesses of a duke's vicious depravity—once through the upsetting of a carriage into an abyss, and frequently through poison. Even after her arrival at Vienna, an Italian, Pioni, tried no less than six times to poison the fair Greek, whom the Prince de Ligne, a great connoisseur in beauty, pronounced not only one of the most beautiful women in the world, but an angel to boot.

The worthy British taxpayers, who for considerably more than half a century have supported divers members of this interesting family, not only knew nothing about its private history, but, through the busy meddlation of courtly and venal pens, acquired a most preposterous conception of them. No sharper antithesis could be invented than is offered by the authentic German tradition to the Coburg legend which has circulated in England since the marriage of Prince Leopold to the daughter of George IV., and which has received its latest consecration in Theodore Martin's life of the late prince consort. By this legend the princes of the Coburg family are held up to

fortunate sailor. The latter's head turned owing to the prominence which fine clothing secured for him, and he grew to dislike appearing on deck unless he had on something of an attractive nature, and at length, when the time arrived for turning down the rigging, he marked sensation by making his appearance clad in a full suit of spotless white.

Jack's particular vanity is a matter of the "shore-man" description. This he serves for Sunday wear as long as no holes or sleeves for patches. In warm latitudes sailors frequently come on deck in their less upper garments of this description. Their appearance is then slightly suggestive of that natural simplicity of costume which renders the average well-appointed ball-room so attractive. On such occasions many of the seamen wear jackets of white or of sail cloth. Where they obtain these garments is a mystery, for they are not to be had for love or money while on shore would not be so foolish as to waste money in the purchase of such material when he can buy checked shirts, which have been properly manufactured and on board ship all of the same pattern are supposed to be kept for the purpose of patching sails. Jack avoids all risk of having purloined the material for his shirts by assuring his officer that the new jacket which he has just appeared in for the first time was made out of canvas presented to him the last ship. This answer is satisfactory, as he expected to look out for its own stock of canvas. "Jack can not even pack his kit in a trunk like a landsman's, but must either use a chest or a large canvas bag. A trunk would be fully as handy on board but the former is too strong in certain peculiarities for sea use. Jack is very wasteful about his clothing. He is neat at patching, and he frequently puts together the whole portions of two or three which a wasteful landsman would have condemned as total wrecks.

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Two Sides of a Congressman's Life.

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hereditary institution, for, w
ked what he intended to be on reach
anhood, he mournfully answered: "W
l like to be a hack driver, but I s'pos
ve to be a senator!"—[Edwin Alto

Nicholas for January.

WOMAN'S DEPENDENCE.

A man has no more business to say
ports his wife than he has to say he s
ets his partner or his clerks. All s
ves render a full quid pro quo in the p
rship of the home, even though they
thing but make it pleasant and meet th
sbands on their return from business w
nile. A young woman, by virtue o
e education and natural abilities, is
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y consent to do so with most happy
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st by so doing she does not place he
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se of dependence. There is no
rated woman who can endure wit
n such an attitude, yet there is no rig
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ght conditions, enjoy having all her
rd wants supplied and of being cared
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An earnest and thoughtful writer
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e around her knees ought to be the
st of her life. But when maternal
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e for her children. This is the p
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nity is one of being overburdened
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THE GENTLER SEX.

Of Interest to the Wives, Mothers and Sisters of the Land.

ow the fashion to carry the opera-
handkerchief, etc., in a little bag
ung from the arm by a ribbon. A dainty one
n be made at home out of an old silk
ndkerchief and a piece of silk. The silk
ust be two colors, one for each side.
ey should measure eight or ten inches
uare and should be lined with the silk
ndkerchief. The ribbon should run
rough the opening two inches from the top,
ving a large loop and bow. The
me or initials embroidered on one
de, and an edging of Valenciennes,
ck lace about the top, add to the ef-

ny frame for a photograph may be
ade of the cover of a pasteboard box.
ut the frame to fit, then cover neatly
th pieces of garnet or dark blue silk or
lvet. Over this paste maple leaves, which
ve been gathered beautifully tinted. The
aves should be put on with the points in
ferent directions. Cover with a coating of co-
dion. If desired the frame can be
ade circular.

ttle girl has made a pretty hemp-
ld of a sheet of pink tissue paper.
ey cut it in a piece eight inches wide
d three-quarters of a yard long. This
s carefully pasted together and the top and
ttom in long pointed scallops. The
per was then folded in fine knife-pleatings
d pasted between two books. When
e pleating opened the part to go about the
ad was caught by a band of the
per, pasted an inch from the edge, and a
ow ornamented on one side.
ese fitted over the white porcelain shade
the light is thrown but which will be
ry pretty for the parlor and also
ttering to the complexion.

ese jewel cases may be made out of
ece. Cover the outside with some
ht silk or satin. Line the inside
th wadding and box with one thickness of
ttoning and cover this with the silk
ed. A box-plaiting of narrow satin
narrow velvet nailed down with
ass nails will keep the satin in place
ound the edges. A little musk or cologne
y be sprinkled over the cotton.

y bed for a pet cat or dog may be
ade of an old square fruit basket. Rip
f the cover inside the basket and
d it so with strong cotton. Varnish
m with shoe bronze and put a pretty
ow inside, and a bow of ribbon on
side. A little bannerette of silk,
ving one of the pet embroidered on it,
ed over the front of the basket, will
ake a little bed more attractive.

HOW GIRLS MAY PLEASE.

A young girl cannot be beautiful, for
ture God has not given a comely
d graceful figure. But every one
n be attractive. Indeed, health and
ppiness go far to giving those bright
aming cheeks and clear skin which
ve good looks, though some have
ven irregular features and can easily
ve the testimony of the truth-telling
ss that they are not remarkable for
ir graces. Let them comfort them-
lves with the thought that they may make
autiful old ladies if they cultivate
e right disposition and contentedness
d trust in God's goodness and

an be plain girl be charming? Well,
ll, cheerfulness and kind thoughtful-
ss for the happiness of others is always
ttractive. The vain, selfish beauty cannot
ep with the homely maiden who is
ttractive because she is so very loveable.
e confides in her, her mother leans
on her friends go to her for help and
e little girls bring her their
ys and the boys come for advice when
ings are hard. By and by a marvel-
s change happens. She is spoken of every-
e as "the interesting Miss Parker," or
e agreeable Miss Dornell," or "the cap-
ble Miss Mark." She has grown in-
finitely more agreeable and capt vating, and
e is far more valuable to a wo-
an than the possession of mere beauty
ther winning personal characteris-

ow to converse well is a very great
t. Do you think anybody can talk? How
ong you are? Anybody can chatter.
ey can exchange idle gossip. Any-
dy can ventilate the troubles of
ighbors, the cost of the last
ess, and the probable doings of the
xt. But to talk wisely, wittily, in-
restingly is an immense accom-
shment. It implies exertion, observa-
n, knowledge of books and of people and recep-
veness. No young girl can
ake herself agreeable in conversation as her mother
ants every young girl can begin to acquire
e graceful art which will draw intelligent
d desirable persons to her side, and enable her
entertain them, because they are pleasantly
ertained.—[Philadelphia Ca.

THE CONDITION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

s a thing more variable than the
ld season, which it is supposed to
ld opinions upon it are infinitely
ied than its forms. With refer-
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e middle of the body.—[Lancet.

Discovery of an extensive bed of coal at Brandon, 78 miles west of Winnipeg.

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HUCKLEBERRY FINN.

Some of His Adventures as Related in Mark Twain's New Book.

A Complete Account of the Celebrated Grangerford–Stephenson Duel and its Dire Results.

Century for December.

[The following episode is taken from an unpublished book called "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Tom Sawyer's Comrade." A word will explain the situation: The negro Jim is escaping from slavery in Missouri, and Huck Finn is running away from a drunken father, who ma treats him. The two fugitives are floating down the Mississippi on a fragment of a lumber-raft, doing their voyaging by night, and hiding themselves and the raft in the daytime. When this chapter opens they have already floated 400 miles—a trip which has occupied 10 or 12 adventurous nights. Readers who have met Huck Finn before in "Tom Sawyer" will not be surprised to note that whenever Huck is caught in a close place and is obliged to explain, the truth gets crippled before he gets through.—N. Y. T.]

Here is the way we put in the time. It was a monstrous big river down there—sometimes a mile and a half wide. We run nights and laid up and hid day times; soon as night was most gone we stopped navigating and tied up—nearly always in the head water under a tow-head; and then cut young cottonwood and willows and hid the raft with them. Then we set out the lines. Next we slid into the river and had a swim, so as to freshen up and cool off; then we set down on the sandy bottom, where the water was about knee deep, and watched the daylight come. Not a sound anywheres—perfectly still—just like the whole world was asleep, only sometimes the bull-frogs a-quattering may be. The first thing to see, looking away over the water, was a kind of dull line—that was the woods on t'other side—you couldn't make nothing else out than a pole place in the sky; then more paleness, spreading around; then the river softened up, away off, and warn't black any more, but gray; you could see little dark spots drifting along, ever so far away—trading scows, and such things; and long black streaks—rafts; sometimes you could hear a sweep screaking, or jumbled-up voices, it was so still, and sounds come so far; and by and by you could see a streak on the water which you know by the look of the streak that there's a snag there in a swift current which breaks on it and makes that streak look that way; and you see the mist curl up off of the water, and the east reddens up, and the river, and you make out a log cabin in the edge of the woods, away on the bank on t'other side of the river, being a wood-yard, likely, and piled by them cheats so you can throw a log through it anywheres; then the nice breeze springs up, and comes fanning you from over there, so cool and fresh, and sweet to smell, on account of the woods and the flowers; but sometimes not that way, because they're left dead fish laying around, gars, and such, and they do get pretty rank and next you've got the full day, and every thing smiling in the sun, and the songbirds just going it!

A little smoke couldn't be noticed now, so we would take some fish off of the lines and cook up a hot breakfast. And afterward we would watch the lonesomeness of the river, and kind of lazy along, and by and by lazy off to sleep. Wake up by and by, and look to see what done it, and maybe see a steamboat, coughing along up stream, so far off t'ward the other side you couldn't tell nothing about her only whether she was stern-wheel or side-wheel, then for about an hour there wouldn't be nothing to hear nor nothing to see—just solid lonesomeness. Next you'd see a raft sliding by, away off yonder, and may be a galoot on it chopping, because they're most always doing it on a raft; you'd see the ax flash, and come down—you don't hear nothing; you see that ax go up again, and by the time it's above the man's head then you hear the *k'chunk*—it had took all that time to come over the water. So we would put in the day, lazying around, listening to the stillness. Once there was a thick fog, and the rafts and things that went by was beating tin pans so the steamboats wouldn't run over them. A scow or a raft went by so close we could hear them talking and cussing and laughing—hears them plain, but we couldn't see no sign of them; it made you feel crawly; it was like spirits carrying on that way in the air.

We shoved out, after dark, on the raft.

The place to buy canoes is off of rafts laying up at shore. But we see no rafts laying up so we went along during three hours and more. Well, the night got gray and rather thick, which is the next thing to fog. You can't tell the shape of the river, and you can't see no distance. It got to be very late and still, and then along comes a steamboat up the river. We lit the lantern and judged she would see it. Up-stream boats don't generally come close to us; they go out and follow the bars and hunt for easy water under the reefs; but nights like this they pull right up the channel against the whole river.

We could hear her pounding along, but we did not see her until she was close. She aimed right at us. Often they do that and try to see how close they can come without touching; sometimes the wheel bites off a sweep, and then the pilot sticks his head out and laughs and thinks he's mighty smart. Well, here she comes, and said she was going to try to shave us; but she didn't seem to be sheering off a bit. She was a big one, and she was coming in a hurry, too, looking like black cloud with rows of glow-worms around it; but all of a sudden she bulged out, big and scary, with a long row of wide-open furnace doors, shining like red-hot teeth, and her monstrous bows and guards hanging right over us. There was a yell at us, and a jingling of bells to stop the engines, a pow-wow of cussing, and whistling of steam—and as Jim went overboard on one side and I on the other, she come smashing right through the raft.

I dived—and I aimed to find the bottom, too, for a thirty-foot wheel had got to go over me, and I wanted it to have plenty of room. I could always stay under water a minute; this time I reckon I stayed under water a minute and a half. Then I bounced for the top in a hurry, for I was nearly bursting. I popped out to my armpits and blowed the water out of my nose, and puffed a bit. Of course there was a booming current, and of course that boat started her engines again ten seconds after she stopped them, for they never cared much for raftsmen, so now she was churning along up the river, out of sight in the thick weather, though I could hear her.

I sung out for Jim about a dozen times, but I didn't get any answer so I grabbed a plank that touched me while I was treading water, and struck out for shore, pushing it ahead of me. But I made out to see that the drift of the current was toward the left hand shore, so I changed off and went that way.

It was one of those long, slanting, two-mile crossings, so I was good long time in getting over. I made a safe landing and slum up the bank. I couldn't see but a little ways, but I went poking along over rough ground for a quarter of a mile or more, and then I run across a big, old fashioned double log house before I noticed it. I was going to rush by and get away, but a lot of dogs jumped out and went to howling and barking at me, and I knowed better than to run another peg.

In about half a minute somebody spoke out of a window, without putting his head out and says:

"Be done, boys! Who's there?"

I says:

"It's me."

"Who's me?"

"George Jackson, sir."

"What do you want?"

"I don't want not'ing, sir. I only want to go along by, but the dogs won't let me."

"What are you prowling around here this time of night for—hey?"

"I warn't prowling around, sir; I fell overboard off the steamboat."

"Oh, you did, did you? Strike a light there, somebody. What did you say your name was?"

"George Jackson, sir. I'm only a boy."

"Look here; if you're telling the truth, you needn't be afraid—nobody'll hurt you. But don't try to budge; stand right where you are. Rouse out Bob and Tom, some of you, and fetch the gun. George Jackson, is there anybody with you?"

"No, sir, nobody."

I heard the people stirring around the house now, and see a light. The man sung out:

"Snatch that light away, Betsey, you old fool—ain't you got any sense? Put on the floor behind the front door. Bob, if you and Tom are ready, take your places."

"All ready."

"Now, George Jackson, do you know the Shepherdsons?"

"No, sir—I never heard of them."

"Well, that may be so, and it mayn't. Now, all ready. Step forward, George Jackson. And mind, don't you hurry—come mighty slow. If there's anybody with you let him keep back, if he shows himself he'll be shot. Come along, now. Come slow; push the door open yourself—just enough to squeeze in, do you hear?"

I didn't hurry. I couldn't if I'd a wanted to. I took one slow step at a time, and there warn't a sound, only I thought I could hear my heart. The dogs were as still as humans, but they followed a little behind me. When I got to the three log door-steps, I heard them unlocking and unbarring and unbolting. I put my hand on the door and pushed it a little and a little more, till somebody said, "There, that's enough—put your head in!" I done it, but I judged they would take it off.

The candle was on the floor, and there they all was, looking at me, and me at them, for about a quarter of a minute. Three big men with guns pointed at me, which made me wince, I tell you; the oldest, gray and about sixty, the other two thirty or more, all of them fine and handsome—and the sweetest old gray-headed lady, and back of her two young women, which I could see right well. The old gentleman says:

"There—I reckon it's all right. Come in."

As soon as I was in, the old gentleman he locked the door and barred it and bolted it, and told the young men to come in with their guns, and they all went in a big parlor that had a new rag carpet on the floor, and got together in a corner that was out of range of the windows—there warn't none on the side. They held the candle and took a good look at me and said: "Why, he ain't a Shepherdson—no, there ain't any Shepherdson about him." Then the old man said he 'spoged I wouldn't mind being searched for arms, because he didn't mean no harm by it—it was only to make sure. So he didn't pry into my pockets, but only felt outside with his hand, and said it was all right. He told me to make myself easy and at home, and tell all about myself; but the old lady says:

"Why, bless you Saul, the poor thing's as wet as he can be; and don't you reckon it may be he's hungry?"

"True for you, Rachel—I forgot."

So the old lady says:

"Betsy" (this was a nigger woman), "you fly around and get him something to eat, as quick as you can, poor thing; and one of you girls go and wake up Buck and tell him—Oh, here he is himself. Buck, take this little stranger and get the wet clothes off from him, and dress him up in some of yours that's dry."

Buck looked about as old as me—13 or 14 or along there though he was a little bigger than me. He hadn't on anything but a shirt, and he was very frowsy-headed. He come in gaping, and digging one fist into his eyes, and he was dragging a gun along with the other one. He says:

"Aint they no Shepherdsons around?"

They said, no, 'twas a false alarm.

"Well," he says, "if they'd 'a' been some, I reckon I'd 'a' got one."

They all laughed, and Bob says:

"Why, Buck, they might have scalped us all, you've been so slow in coming."

"Well, nobody come after me, and it ain't right. I'm always kep' down; I don't get no show."

"Never mind, Buck, my boy," said the old man, "you'll have show enough all in good time; don't you fret about that. Go 'long with you, now, and do as your mother told you."

When we got upstairs to his room he got me a coarse shirt and a roundabout and pants of his, and I put them on. While I was at he asked me what my name was, but before I could tell him he started to telling me about a bluejay and a young rabbit he had catched in the woods day before yesterday, and he asked me where Moses was when the candle went out. I said I didn't know, I hadn't heard about it before, no-way.

"Well, guess," he says.

"How can I guess?" says I, "when I never heard tell about it before?"

"But you can guess, can't you? It's just as easy."

"Which candle?" I says.

"Why, any candle," he says.

"I don't know where he was," says I; "where was he?"

"Why, he was in the dark! That's where he was."

"Well, if you knowed where he was, what did you ask me for?"

"Why, blame it, its a riddle, don't you see? Say, how long are you going to stay here? You got to stay always. We can have booming times—they don't have no school now. Do you own a dog? I've got a dog—and he'll go in the river and bring out chips that you throw in. Do you like to comb up Sundays, and all that kind of foolishness? You bet I don't, but ma makes me. Confound these old britches! I reckon I'd better put 'em on but I'd rather not, its so warm. Are you all ready? All right—come along, old hoss."

Cold corn-pone, cold corn-beef, butter and butter-milk—that is what they had for me down there, and there ain't nothing better that ever I've come across yet. Buck and his ma and all the rest of them smoked corn-cob pipes, except the nigger woman, which was gone, and the two young women. They all smoked and talked, and I eat and talked. The young women had quilts around them, and their hair down their backs. They all asked me questions, and I told them how pap and me and all the family was living on a little farm down at the bottom of Arkansaw, and my sister Mary Ann ran off and got married and never was heard of no more, and Bill went to hunt them and he warn't heard of no more, and Tom and Mort died, and then there warn't nobody but just me and pap left, and he was just trimmed down to nothing on account of his troubles; so when he died I took what there was left, because the farm didn't belong to us, and started up the river, deck passage, and fell overboard and that was how I come to be here. So they said I could have a home there as long as I wanted it. Then it was almost daylight, and everybody went to bed, and I went to bed with Buck, and when I waked up in the morning, drat it all, I had forgot what my name was. So I laid there about an hour trying to think, and when Buck waked up, I says:

"Can you spell, Buck?"

"Yes," he says.

"I'll bet you can't spell my name," says I.

"I'll bet you what you dare I can," says he.

"All right," says I, "go ahead."

"G-e-o-r-g-e J-a-x-o-n—there now," he says.

"Well," says I, "you done it, but I didn't think you could. It aint no slouch of a name to spell—right off without studying."

I set it down, private, because somebody might want me to spell it next, and so I wanted to be handy with it and rattle it off like I was used to it.

It was a mighty nice family, and a mighty nice house, too. I hadn't seen no house out in the country before that was so nice and had so much style. It didn't have an iron latch on the front door, nor a wooden one with a buckskin string, but a brass knob to turn, the same as houses in town. There warn't no bed in the parlor, not a sign of a bed; but heaps of parlors in towns has beds in them. There was a big fire-place that was bricked on the bottom, and the brick was kept clean and red by pouring water on them and scrubbing them with another brick, sometimes they washed them over with red water-paint that they called Spanish brown, same as they do in town. They had big brass dog-irons that could hold up a saw-log. There was a clock on the middle of the mantle-piece with a picture of a town painted on the bottom half of the glass front, and a round place in the middle of it for the sun, and you could see the pendulum swing behind it. It was beautiful to hear that clock tick; and sometimes when one of these peddlers had been along and scoured her up and got her in good shape, she would start and strike a hundred and fifty before she got tuckered out. They wouldn't took any money for her.

Well, there was a big outlandish parrot on each side of the clock, made out of something like chalk, and painted up gaudy. By one of the parrots was a cat made of crockery, and a crockery dog by the other; and when you pressed down on them they squeaked, but didn't open their mouths nor look different nor interested. They squeaked through underneath. There was a couple of big wild-turkey-wing fans spread out behind those things. On a table in the middle of the room was a kind of a lovely crockery basket that had apples and oranges and peaches and grapes piled up in it which was much redder and yellower and prettier than real ones is, but they warn't real, because you could see where pieces had got chopped off and showed the white chalk or whatever it was underneath.

This table had a cover made out of beautiful oilcloth, with a red and blue spread eagle painted on it, and a painted border all around. It come all the way from Philadelphia, they said. There were some books, too, piled up perfectly exact, on each corner of the table. One was a big family Bible, full of pictures. One was "Pilgrim's Progress," about a man that left his family, it didn't say why. I read considerable in it now and then. The statements were interesting, but tough. Another was "Friendship's Offering," full of beautiful stuff and poetry. Another was Henry Clay's Speeches, and another was Dr. Gunn's Family Medicine, which told you all about what to do if a body was sick or dead. There was a hymn book, and a lot of other books. And there was nice split-bottom chairs, and perfectly sound, too—not bagged down in the middle and busted, like an old basket.

They had pictures hung upon the walls—mainly Washingtons and Lafayettes, and battles, and Highland Marys, and one called "Signing the Declaration." There was some that they called crayons, which one of the daughters which was dead made her own self when she was only 15 years old. They was different from any pictures I ever see before—blacker, mostly than is common. One was a woman in a slim, black dress, belted small under the arm-pits, with bulges like a cabbage in the middle of the sleeves, and a large black, scoop-shovel bonnet with a black veil, and white shirt ruffles crossed about with black tape, and very black slippers, like a chisel, and she was leaning pensive on a tombstone on her right elbow, under a weeping willow, and her other hand hanging down by her side holding a white handkerchief and a reticule; and underneath the picture it said: "Shall I Never See Thee More Alas." Another one was a young lady with her hair all combed up straight to the top of her head, and knotted there in front of a comb like a chair back, and she was crying into a handkerchief and had a dead bird lying on its back in her other hand with its heels up, and underneath the picture it said: "I Shall Never Hear Thy Sweet Chirrup More Alas." There was one where a young lady was at a window looking up at the moon, and tears running down her cheeks, and she had an open letter in one hand, with black sealing wax showing on one edge of it, and she was mashing a locket with a chain to it against her mouth, and underneath the picture it said: "And Art Thou Gone Yes Thou Art Gone Alas." These was all nice pictures, I reckon, but I didn't somehow seem to like them, because if I was ever down a little they always give me the fan-zods. Everybody was sorry she died, because she had left out a lot more of these pictures to do, and a body could see by what she had done what they had lost. But I reckoned that, with her disposition, she was having a better time in the graveyard. She was at work on what they said was her greatest picture when she took sick, and every day and every night it was her prayer it was she be allowed to live till she got it done, but she never got the chance. It was a picture of a young woman in a long white gown, standing on the rail of a bridge all ready to jump off, with her hair all down her back, and looking up to the moon, with the tears running down her face, and she had two arms folded across her breast, and two arms stretched out in front, and two more stretched out towards the moon—and the idea was to see which pair would look the best and then scrape out all the other arms; but, as I was saying, she died before she got her mind made up, and now they keep this picture over the head of the bed in her room, and every time her birthday come they hung flowers on it. Other times it was hid with a little curtain. The young woman in the picture had kind of a nice, sweet face, but there were so many arms it made her look spidery, seemed to me.

This young girl kept a scrap-book when she was alive, and used to paste obituaries and accidents and cases of patient suffering in it out of the *Presbyterian Observer*, and wrote poetry after them out of her own head. It was very good poetry.

If Emmeline Grangerford could make poetry like that before she was 14, there ain't no telling what she could 'a' done by and by. Buck said she could rattle off poetry like nothing. She didn't ever have to think. He said she would slap down a line, and if she couldn't find anything to rhyme with it she would just scratch it out and slap down another one and go ahead. She warn't particular; she could write about anything that was sadful. Every time a man died, or a woman died, or a child died, she would be on hand with her "tribute" before he was cold. She called them tributes. The neighbors said it was the doctor first, then Emmeline, then the undertaker. The undertaker never got ahead of Emmeline but once, and then she hung fire on a rhyme for the dead person's name, which was Whistler. She warn't ever the same after that; she never complained, but she kind of pined away and did not live long. Poor thing! many's the time I made myself go up into the little room that used to be hers, and get out her poor old scrap-book and read in it when her pictures had been aggravating me and I had scared on her a little. I liked that family, dead ones and all, and warn't going to let anything come between us. Poor Emmeline made poetry about each of the dead people when she was alive and it didn't seem right that there warn't nobody to make some about her, now she was gone; so I tried to sweat out a verse or two myself, but I couldn't seem to make it go, somehow. They kept Emmeline's room trim and nice, and all the things frec in it just the way she liked to have them when she was alive, and nobody ever slept there. The old lady took care of the room herself, though there was plenty of niggers, and she sewed there a good deal and read her Bible there, mostly.

Well, as I was saying about the parlor, there was beautiful curtains on the windows; white with pictures painted on them of castles with vines all down the walls, and cattle coming down to drink. There was a little, old piano, too, that had tin pans on it, I reckon, and nothing was ever so lovely as to hear the young ladies sing. "The Last Link is Broken," and play "The Battle of Prague" on it. The walls of all the rooms was plastered and most had carpets on the floors, and the whole house was whitewashed on the outside.

It was a double house, and the big open place between them was roofed and flogged and sometimes the table was set in there in the middle of the day, and it was a cool, comfortable place. Nothing couldn't be better. And warn't the cooking good, and just bushels of it, too!

Colonel Grangerford was a gentleman, you see. He was a gentleman all over, and so was his family. He was well born, as the saying is, and that's worth as much in a man as it is in a horse, so the widow Douglass said, and nobody ever denied that she was of the first aristocracy in our town; and pap he always said it, too, though he warn't no more quality than a mud-cat himself. Colonel Grangerford was very tall and very slim and had a dark-red complexion, not a sign of red in it anywheres; he was clean shaved every morning, all over his face, and he had the thinnest kind of lips, and the thinnest kind of nostrils, and a high nose, and heavy eyebrows, and the blackest kind of eyes, sunk so deep back that they seemed like they were looking out of caverns at you, as you may say. His forehead was high, and his hair was black and straight, and hung to his shoulders. His hands was long and thin, and every day of his life he put on a clean shirt and a full suit from head to foot, made out of linen so white it hurt your eyes to look at it; and on Sundays he wore a blue tail-coat with brass buttons on it. He carried a mahogany cane with a silver head to it. There warn't no frivolishness about it, not a bit, and he warn't ever loud. He was as kind as he could be—you could feel that, you know, and so you had confidence. Sometimes he smiled, and it was good to see, but when he straightened himself up like a liberty pole, and the lightning began to flicker out from under his eyebrows, you wanted to climb a tree first and find out what the matter was afterward. He didn't have to tell anybody to mind their manners—everybody was always good-mannered where he was. Everybody loved to have him around, too, he was sunshine most always—I mean he made it seem like good weather. When he turned into a cloud-bank it was awful dark for half a minute, and that was enough, there wouldn't nothing go wrong again for a week.

When him and the old lady come down in the morning, all of the family got up out of their chairs and wished them good-day, and didn't set down again till they set down. When Tom and Bob went to the sideboard where the decanters was, and mixed a glass of bitters and handed it to him, and he held it in his hand and waited till Tom's and Bob's was mixed, and then they bowed and said, "Our duty to you, sir, and madam;" and they bowed the least bit in the world and said thank you, and so they drank, all three, and Bob and Tom poured a spoonful of water on the sugar and the mite of whisky or apple brandy in the bottom of their tumblers, and gave it to me and Buck, and I was drank to the old people, too.

Bob was the oldest, and Tom next—tall, beautiful men, with very broad shoulders and brown faces and long black hair and black eyes. They dressed in white linen from head to foot, like the old gentleman, and wore broad Panama hats.

Then there was Miss Charlotte; she was 25, and tall and proud and grand, but as good as she could be when she warn't stirred up; but when she was, she had a look that would make you wilt in your tracks, like her father. She was beautiful.

So was her sister, Miss Sophia, but it was a different kind. She was gentle and sweet, like a cove, and she was only 20.

Each person had their own nigger to wait on them—Buck, too. My nigger had a monstrous easy time, because I warn't used to having anybody do anything for me, but Buck's was on the jump most of the time.

This is all there was of the family now, but there used to be more—three sons; they got killed; and Emmeline that died.

The old gentleman owned a lot of farms, and over a hundred niggers. Sometimes a stack of people would come there, horseback, from 10 or 15 miles around and stay five or six days, and have such junketings round about and on the river, and dances and picnics in the woods daytimes, and balls in the house nights. These people was mostly kin-folks of the family. The men brought their guns with them. It was a handsome lot of quality, I tell you.

There was another class of aristocracy around there—five or six families—mostly of the name of Shepherdson. They was as high-toned, and well-born and rich as the tribe of Grangerfords. The Shepherdsons and Grangerfords used the same steamboat landing, which was about two miles above our house, sometimes, when I went up there with a lot of our folks, I used to see a lot of the Shepherdsons there on their fine horses.

One day Buck and me was away in the woods, hunting, and heard a horse coming. We was crossing the road. Buck says,

"Quick! Jump for the woods!"

We done it and then peeped down the woods through the leaves. Pretty soon a splendid young man came galloping down the road, setting his horse easy and looking like a soldier. I had seen him before. It was Harney Shepherdson. I heard Buck's gun go off at my ear, and Harney's hat tumbled off from his head. He grabbed his gun and rode strait to the place where we was hid. But we didn't wait. We started through the woods on a run. The woods warn't thick, so I looked over my shoulder to dodge the bullet, and twice I seen Harney cover Buck with his gun; and then he rode away the way he come—to get his hat, I reckon, but I couldn't see. We never stopped running till we got home. The old gentleman's eyes blazed a minute—'twas pleasure, mainly I judged—then his face sort of smoothed down, and he says, kind and gentle:

"I don't like that shooting from behind a bush. Why didn't you step into the road, my boy?"

"The Shepherdsons don't father. They always take advantage."

Miss Charlotte she held her head up like a queen while Buck was telling his tale, and her nostrils spread, and her eyes snapped. The two young men looked dark, but never said nothing. Miss Sophia she turned pale, but the color came back when she found the man wasn't hurt.

Soon as I could get Buck down by the corn-cribs under the trees by ourselves I says:

"Did you want to kill him, Buck?"

"Well, I bet I did."

"What did he do to you?"

"Him? He never done nothing to me."

"Well, then, what did you want to kill him for?"

"Well, nothing—it's only on account of an old feud."

"What's a feud?"

"Why, where was you raised? Don't you know what a feud is?"

"Never heard of it before—tell me about it."

"Well," says Buck, "a feud is this way: A man has a quarrel with another man, and kills him; then that other man's brother kills him; then the other brothers, on both sides, goes for one another; then the cousins chip in—and by-and-by everybody's killed off, and there ain't any more feud. But it's kind of slow, and takes a long time."

"Has this one been going on long, Buck?"

"Well, I should reckon! it started 30 years ago, or some'ers along there. There was trouble 'bout something, and then a lawsuit to settle it, and the suit went against one of the men, and so he up and shot the man that won the suit—which he would naturally do, of course. Anybody would."

"What was the trouble about, Buck?—land?"

"I reckon, may be—I don't know."

"Well, who done the shooting?—was it a Grangerford or a Shepherdson?"

"Laws, how do I know? It was so long ago."

"Don't anybody know?"

"Oh, yes, pa knows, I reckon, and some of the other old folks; but they don't know now what the row was about in the first place."

"Has there been many killed, Buck?"

"Yes—right smart chance of funerals. But they don't always kill. Pa's got a few buckshot in him; but he don't mind it, 'cuz he don't weigh much anyway. Bob's been carved up somewhat with a bowie, and Tom's been hurt once or twice."

"I as anybody been killed this year, Buck?"

"Yes, we got one and they got one. 'Bout three months ago my cousin Bud, 14 years old, was riding through the woods on t'other side of the river, and didn't have no weapon with him—which was blame' foolishness; and in a lonesome place he hears a horse a-coming behind him, and sees old Baldy Shepherdson a-linkin' after him with his gun in his hand, and his white hair flying in the wind; and 'stead of jumping off and taking to the brush, Bud 'lowed he could outrun him so they had it, nip and tuck, for five mile or more, the old man a-gaining all the time. So at last Bud seen it warn't any use, so he stopped and faced around so as to save the bullet holes in front, you know, and the old man rode up and shot him down, but he didn't git much chance to enjoy his luck, for inside of a week our folks laid him out."

"Well, he was a coward, Buck."

"I reckon he warn't a coward not by a blame' sight. There ain't a coward amongst them Shepherdsons—not a one. And there ain't no cowards amongst the Grangerfords, either. Why that old man kept up his end of a fight one day, for half an hour, against three Grangerfords, and come out winner. They was all a-horseback; he lit off his horse and got behind a wood-pile, and kept his horse before him to stop the bullets; but the Grangerfords stayed on their horses and capered around the old man, and peppered away at him, and he peppered away at them. Him and his horse went home pretty leaky and crippled, but the Grangerfords had to be fetched home—and one of 'em was dead, and another died the next day. No, sir; if a body's out hunting for cowards, he don't want to fool away any time among them Shepherdsons, because they don't breed any of that kind."

Next Sunday we all went to church, about three mile, everybody on horseback. The men took their guns along, so did Buck, and kept them between their knees or stood them handy against the wall. The Shepherdsons done the same. It was pretty ornery preaching—all about brotherly love, and such like tiresomeness; but everybody said it was a good sermon, and they

THE EAST.

Severe Storms Experienced at Many Places.

CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE DONE

Funeral of Schuyler Colfax—Proceedings of the House and Senate—News Items from Various Places

PITTSBURG, Jan 17.—A cold wave has checked the rise in the rivers, and whatever threatened to be a disastrous flood. The waters rose steadily all night, and at daybreak the Pittsburg and Western railroad tracks, Exposition park and large portion of the lowlands in Allegheny city were inundated. Many persons, remembering the great flood of a year ago, moved their goods to places of safety, while others living on River avenue, remained up all night, fearing to go to bed. At noon both rivers were on a stand, with about twenty-two feet of water on the marks.

At midnight a terrific storm struck this section, and for several hours the wind blew at the rate of thirty-two miles per hour, doing widespread damage. Telegraph wires are down in all directions, and trains are behind time. Considerable damage was done to dwelling houses and manufacturings. A number of roofs, shutters, chimneys and smokestacks were blown down in all parts of the city.

At East Liverpool, Ohio, Thompson & Co's pottery was wrecked, entailing a loss of $5000, and the opera house was partly unroofed.

At Steubenville, property was damaged to the extent of $5000.

HURRICANE AT BUFFALO

BUFFALO, N Y., Jan 17.—This morning about 3 o'clock the wind obtained a velocity of fifty miles an hour and at 5 o'clock was blowing seventy-one miles, and for about half an hour it blew at the rate of seventy-two miles. Houses were rocked, numerous signs were blown down and some few trees uprooted. At East Buffalo a newspaper reporter was blown bodily ac oss the street, sustaining a few bruises, and a large load of hay was blown over and scattered for hundreds of feet in the road. The thermometer has fallen from 25 to 6 degrees below zero.

THE STORM GENERAL

NEW YORK, Jan 17.—Despatches from various points report a severe wind storm from the west last night and to-day. Barns have been unroofed, houses badly shaken, and trees uprooted. Telegraph and telephone wires were also badly damaged. Snow accompanied the wind. In the northwest portion of Ontario trains on branch lines are badly delayed, and in some cases abandoned.

BAD WEATHER AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Jan 17.—Snow ceased falling about midnight and was followed by a rapid fall in temperature. There is almost a complete embargo on the railway freight traffic throughout the west and northwest and passenger trains are badly delayed, and in some instances snowed in. Telegraph communication with New York ceased about 4 o'clock this morning, and has been only imperfectly renewed since then.

A SMALL CYCLONE

CHARLESTON, W Va., Jan 17.—This city was visited last night by a very heavy wind storm. A number of business houses were unroofed, trees uprooted and several small factories damaged. The loss is extensive, but cannot ascertain the amount of damage.

WEATHER IN CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, Jan 17.—Telegraph wires are still in bad condition and all trains delayed six to eight hours. Snow here is light and growing colder.

AT DETROIT

DETROIT, Jan 17.—The storm raged all night, and only stopped snowing awhile at daylight. It is still snowing hard, and the snow is drifting badly.

AT KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, Jan 17.—The mercury this morning was 14 below zero. The weather is clear. Trains are delayed two to six hours.

THE COLORADO SENATORIAL CONTEST

DENVER, Jan 17.—A republican senatorial caucus was held this evening. As soon as organization was completed, a motion was made that the caucus proceed to vote for United States senator, *viva voce* carried by five majority. Thereupon seventeen Hill men left the chamber, four remaining, but not voting on the first ballot. Secretary H. M. Teller received 28, H. A. W Tabor 2, and Senator N P Hill 1. Teller was declared the nominee of the caucus. Hill men claim they are bound by the action of the caucus, and will make a fight in joint session of both houses, but to win must have nearly, if not all, of the democratic vote.

FUNERAL OF SCHUYLER COLFAX

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan 17.—The Colfax obsequies took place this afternoon. The weather was the worst of the season—gusty, snowy and below zero. All trains were belated several hours, and that containing Vice President-elect Hendricks did not reach here until after 5 o'clock, three hours too late for the funeral, which had already been postponed from 10 A. M. During the afternoon the body lay in state at the residence, and was visited by thousands. The services were at the Reform church. The casket was draped with the American flag, and was followed to the cemetery by a procession of great length.

ARCHBISHOP LEROY RECEIVES THE PALLIUM

NEW ORLEANS, Jan 17.—Ceremonies of the reception of the pallium by Archbishop Leroy took place this morning at the cathedral. Archbishop Gibbons of Baltimore presided. Bishop Fitzgerald of Little Rock delivered an English sermon and a dominion father the French. Pontifical mass was performed at 10 A. M.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT

NEW YORK, Jan 17.—The weekly bank statement shows: Reserve increase, $354,000. Banks now hold $21,148,000 in excess of legal requirements, the largest amount ever held.

VILLARD SELLS SOME PROPERTY

NEW YORK, Jan 17.—Ex-railroad King Henry Villard has disposed of his dwelling on Twenty-fourth street to William H. Starbuck.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Senate

WASHINGTON Jan 17.—Allison presented over the senate to-day.

A communication from General Sherman to the secretary of war, concerning the policy of the confederate executive department, was received and laid on the table.

Frye introduced a bill for the encouragement of the American merchant marine, and to promote postal and commercial relations with foreign countries.

The senate proceeded to consideration of bills upon the calendar.

The chair laid before the senate the interstate commerce bill, and after a long debate Slater's amendment, prohibiting higher rates for short than for longer hauls, was defeated.

The amendment proposed by Allison was agreed to—52 yeas to 20 nays—increasing the number of commissioners from five to nine and amending the latter proposition so as to require that no more than five of them should belong to one political party. The amendment also provides that the commissioners shall be selected from each of the nine judicial districts in the United States.

House.

WASHINGTON, Jan 17.—Gibson, rising to a personal explanation, denied that he had harshly criticized Randall at the recent Wheeling conference. He differed from the gentleman named, but respected his capacity and integrity.

Hopkins, from the committee on labor, reported a resolution directing the postmaster general to ask the attorney general whether the eight-hour law applies to letter-carriers employed.

The house went into committee of the whole on the consular and diplomatic appropriation bill.

Townsend offered an amendment, requesting the president to invite the co-operation of governments of American nations in securing the establishment of a commercial league by and between said nations to be known as the Customs Union of America; ruled out on a point of order.

After a debate the committee rose and the bill passed.

Willis reported the river and harbor appropriation bill, ordered printed and recommitted. Adjourned.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES.

THE NICARAGUAN TREATY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The speech made by Senator Morgan in executive session of the senate yesterday, in favor of the Nicaraguan treaty, is regarded as one of the strongest arguments in favor of the ratification of that instrument that has yet been presented. Sherman's speech a few days ago, in opposition to the treaty, had considerable effect upon those senators who have not made a study of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, and its relation to the proposed work of constructing a canal across the isthmus of Nicaragua. The statement made by Sherman in support of his argument, that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty should be abrogated before the pending Nicaraguan treaty is ratified, had considerable weight with senators who had not informed themselves on this subject. Morgan's reply to Sherman's argument on this subject was complete and convincing. He related every incident of the negotiation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, and from the record argued that the United States is in no way bound to consider that instrument in determining the question of the property of the government building the Nicaraguan canal. Several democrats who voted that would have been against ratification of the Nicaragua treaty were changed to favor the instrument by Morgan's elaborate speech. While a two-thirds vote is required to ratify the treaty, the indications now are that the requisite number of votes will be obtained. Edmunds, who has been in constant communication with the state department ever since negotiations for the Nicaragua treaty were begun, will in a few days make an exhaustive speech to the senate in support of the treaty.

THE RIVER AND HARBOR BILL

WASHINGTON, Jan 17.—Among the appropriations for rivers and harbors are the following: San Joaquin, California, $40,000; lower Willamette and Columbia rivers, Oregon, $40,000. Besides the above items there are a large number of minor appropriations. The bill appropriates in all $11,329,500. Estimates prepared by the engineers in charge of the various improvements amounted to $44,607,300. The bill provides for the appointment of a committee to consist of seven members, whose duty shall be to examine the various river and harbor improvements, and report to congress within a year. It also provides for a consulting engineer for the Mississippi river commission, and recommends the appointment of Captain Rees at a salary of $5000 per year. No appropriation has yet been made for the improvement of Humboldt harbor, as proposed by Captain Ellis. The matter will be considered the early part of next week.

FOR P'S MERCHANT MARINE BILL

WASHINGTON, Jan 17.—Frye's bill to encourage the merchant marine provides for a government subsidy to American ships for carrying mails to foreign ports, not to exceed $1 per mile each way.

CRIMINAL CALENDAR

DYNAMITE OUTRAGE.

LEBANON, Conn., Jan 17.—An attempt was made at 11 o'clock last night by unknown persons, to blow up Griffith & Knapp's hat store, at South Norwalk, with dynamite. The stock was fetched out by the city, and attracted great crowds of the people to the scene. One end of the structure was completely blown out. There were seventeen persons asleep in the building at the time, who escaped injury. It is supposed to be the work of dissatisfied strikers or their friends. Men in the building were thrown from their quarters, windows throughout the building were shattered and heavy stone window sills were broken.

MURDERED BY A SECRET BAND

BRADENTOWN, Fla., Jan 17.—C. E. Abbe, postmaster and United States land commissioner at Manatee Bay, was recently murdered, and his body thrown into the sea. Later reports show that there is an organized secret band there, to kill all those who incur its enmity. Many arrests have been made. All of the accused are prominent members of the community, and were supposed to be of irreproachable character. Abbe was an extremely popular and well to do citizen. It is hinted that political reasons were responsible for his assassination.

A PORTLAND BURGLAR RETURNED

NEW YORK, Jan 17.—James Ryan, alias Daniel McMillan, of San Francisco, a burglar who escaped from a deputy sheriff while on the way to court in that city to be sentenced, was to-day sent back to San Francisco in charge of Sheriff Connolly of that city. It is said here that Ryan is also wanted in Portland, Or.

OKLAHOMA BOOMERS.

WELLINGTON, Kas., Jan. 17.—A courier from Oklahoma county says Captain Crouch has 300 armed men intrenched in a fortified camp at Stillwater, with a large supply of provisions. The troops are reported water bound, and are not expected to reach the boomers' camp for several days.

NORTHERN PACIFIC EMBEZZLER SENTENCED

ST PAUL, Jan 16.—D. E. Swain, the Northern Pacific embezzler, pleaded guilty to two indictments of grand larceny to-day and was sentenced to thirteen and a half years in the penitentiary.

FAILURES

THE OLIVER BROS. & PHILLIPS FAILURE

PITTSBURG, Jan 17.—Mill employes in mills owned by Oliver Bros. & Phillips were notified to-day that their wages for the past two weeks, which were due this afternoon, could not be paid. They were given to understand that they were not to be kept out of their money long, but many can ill afford to wait even a few days, and are very much distressed in consequence.

D. B. Oliver, one of the members of the firm, said to-day that estimates of the liabilities of the firm were all wrong; that the sum total would not reach half of $5,000,000. The latter figure has generally been considered nearly correct.

ERIE DEFAULTS ON INTEREST

BUFFALO, Jan 17.—Erie has defaulted on interest due holders of bonds of the road since it leased the narrow gauge system. It is uncertain when it will be paid. The question of what will be done is being debated, but no satisfactory conclusion has been reached. If the narrow gauge antagonizes Erie by taking the matter into account they fear that Erie freight, upon which they are depending, will be diverted from their line. They are therefore waiting in hopes that when President King completes the work of reorganization something satisfactory will be provided for paying the bondholders.

A LANCASTER BANK

LANCASTER, Pa., Jan 17.—The banking house of Ames Henderson, one of the oldest in the country, failed to open for business this morning. Henderson failed last Tuesday. An examination of the books showed that the bank is insolvent. Deposits aggregate about $200,000, many being time deposits. The bank is believed to have been wrecked by stock speculation.

MADE AN ASSIGNMENT

PITTSBURG, Jan 17.—D. W. C. Carroll has made an assignment of all his property, real, personal and mixed, valued at several hundred thousand dollars, to John Benford for the benefit of his creditors.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

The steamer Moravia, from New York, January 1, is aground in the Elbe.

Imports of specie at New York for the week were $240,000, exports, $629,000.

Another meeting, to urge William M. Evarts for senator, was held in Brooklyn Saturday night.

It is announced that the Duke of Edinburgh will shortly publish a collection of poems, entitled "Love Songs of a Violinist."

Dr. G. E. Smith, a retired physician, living in Denver, was killed Saturday night by an explosion of hydrogen gas. He was experimenting when the explosion occurred.

At Ushaletta, Argentine Republic, Saturday evening, a fearful shower of stones fell, lasting eighteen minutes. It destroyed all grazing and cultivated land, leaving many persons completely destitute.

SPORTING NOTES

DR CARVER SUCCESSFUL

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan 17.—This is the last day of Dr. Carver's shooting tournament. The first thousand shots were fired in exactly fifty-five minutes, with only fourteen misses. At noon the score stoods: Shots, 57,625; misses, 4521; hits, 53,104.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan 17.—At 9 48 this evening Carver finished his great task of hitting 60,000 glass balls in six days. The score was: Shots, 64,881; misses, 4865; hits, 60,016.

SPAIN

SPAIN'S CUP OF MISFORTUNE FULL

MADRID Jan 17.—Another severe shock of earthquake at Granada at 10 o'clock last night caused great alarm. The heavy snow storm and frost continues. The sugar-cane crop is destroyed, and orange and olive groves damaged. The situation is critical. The earth is again trembling, under the influence of stronger seismic movements. Wind and snow have destroyed the huts of those who fled to open fields from cities and towns for safety. At Trigliana, twenty-seven miles east of Malaga, people, rendered desperate by cold and hunger, attacked the houses of land-owners. Another severe shock of earthquake has been experienced at Canillas.

THE SOUDAN.

A DISPATCH FROM WOLSELEY

LONDON, Jan 17.—General Lord Wolseley telegraphs as follows from Kort, under date of January 17. "A large convoy has returned from Gakdul. The whole route is quiet. A convoy has returned to Howarah. The Howarvis tribes start with Nores for Gakdul to-morrow. Suleh, chief of a Kabbabish tribe, has come in. English boats are now arriving. Out of 800 landed in Egypt, 780 are still able to be used on the river. The others are being repaired. Very few were wrecked."

HUNGARY

AN INVITATION TO FOREIGN NEWSPAPERS.

PESTH, Jan. 17.—In the lower house of the Hungarian diet to-day it was suggested that invitations be addressed to all foreign newspapers, asking them to send representatives to the opening of the exhibition here in May.

PACIFIC COAST.

The Transcontinental Association Ends its Labors.

ADJUSTMENT OF PERCENTAGE

The Award Said to be in Favor of the Northern Roads. More about the Sharon Case. San Francisco Notes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 17.—The sixth day's session of the Transcontinental railway association ended to-day. Readjustment of the percentages of rate paid to the northern lines by the southern lines was determined upon as follows: The south ern lines are to pay the northern lines 8 per cent of their gross earnings of through business, and the northern lines are to pay the southern lines 8 per cent of their gross earnings of through business. This will leave a balance in favor of the northern lines, which takes the place of the previous 8 per cent gross earnings of the southern lines paid to the northern lines, as a bonus for non interference with California lines.

The northern lines comprise all roads in the association that act as feeders to the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, which has its terminus at Portland, O. The southern lines embrace all roads in the association that feed the Southern Pacific and the Central Pacific which have their terminus at San Francisco. The present arrangement is said to be more advantageous to the northern lines than the old one. This new bonus, which is the difference paid to the northern lines, will be divided between the Northern Pacific, the Oregon Short Line and the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company. In what proportion has not yet been determined.

The proposition discussed to-day was relative to the division of the pool among the southern lines. The Central and the Southern Pacific have heretofore paid to the other roads $2,400 per month for their share of local business. This they now decline to do. The plan proposed by the Southern Pacific is that two pools be formed, one composed of lines east of El Paso and Ogden, and another of lines west of the same points. Other southern lines stand out for one pool, into which all earnings shall be cast.

FRUITS OF THE SHARON CASE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 17.—The Bar association met to-day to consider and take action respecting the spurious Tyler-Gumpel contract which was offered to General Barnes, as leading counsel in the Sharon divorce case, and for which he paid $25,000. The association is composed of 150 members, and comprises all the prominent lawyers of the city. No decision in the matter was reached.

Tyler proposed that the Bar association take and hold the $25,000 paid by General Barnes for the false Tyler-Gumpel contract. President Cope consented to do so, provided Barnes consented. The latter withheld his consent until after consultation with the associates in the case.

President Cope of the Bar association was directed to appoint a committee of five, to investigate the Tyler-Gumpel contract, and the action of Barnes and Tyler in reference thereto.

W. M. Neilsen commenced action to-day against ex-Senator Sharon, for slander, with damages laid at $100,000.

TO ENCOURAGE IMMIGRATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 17.—A meeting of the joint committee of the manufacturers' association, of the board of trade and the chamber of commerce was held to-day to consider reports of sub-committees. The main argument presented was the encouragement of immigration. It advised that immigration should be encouraged by state appropriations, and recommended the repeal of the pre-emption, timber and timber culture laws, and that congress should be asked to permit settlers to occupy land now held by parties under what is known as the "brush fence law." Among statistics presented were some showing that the average size of farms in California was 160 acres. The next highest average is Wyoming, with 3 2. Oregon has 260 and Washington territory 211 acres.

STAGE ROADS BLOCKADED

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 17.—The railway mail service reports that stage roads in the northern part of the state, which were rendered impassable by the recent storms, are being rapidly cleared, and in a few days Oregon overland mail will be running through.

A SEVERE SENTENCE

John Whitfield, a young man 20 years of age convicted of the robbery of $6 from Dupuy, at the latter's drug store, at the point of the pistol, was sentenced to-day by Judge Rolfe to forty years in the Folsom prison.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived—Bark Germania, Departure Bay. Cleared—Steamer George W. Elder, Victoria; steamer Columbia, Astoria. Sailed—British steamer Barnard Castle, Nanaimo.

DEATH OF A MINISTER

REV. Robert Patterson, of the Presbyterian church, East Oakland, died to-day, aged 63 of ulceration of the stomach.

FOREIGN DISPATCHES.

ENGLAND

MEETING OF UNEMPLOYED WORKINGMEN

LONDON Jan 17.—In accordance with previous arrangements a mass meeting of unemployed workingmen was held in front of the Royal exchange this afternoon. Shortly after noon people began to assemble, and by 2 o'clock fully 10,000 had come together. The multitude, in perfect order, awaited the arrival of the speakers, Henry George, Helen Taylor, William Saunders and other well known speakers, who were loudly cheered. Speaking began at a little past 3. Radical pamphlets of the most advanced description had an immense sale. Some of these were headed in bold type, with the words, "Blood, Bullets and Bayonets," and presented an extraordinary appeal in the "half-starved, herring gutted, poverty-stricken, parish-drummed inhabitants of the disunited kingdom."

STEAMER SUNK AND MANY PERSONS DROWNED

LIVERPOOL, Jan 17.—Fears entertained yesterday for the safety of the packet steamer Admiral Moorsom (not Morrison) plying between Dublin and Holyhead, were fully justified. The steamer collided with the American ship Santa Clara, from Liverpool for New York, and sank. The Santa Clara landed twelve of the sunken steamer's crew and two passengers at Holyhead. The steamer carried a crew of between twenty and thirty persons.

Later accounts from Holyhead state that the Admiral Moorsom had ten passengers and only two of these were saved.

A HARD ROAD TO TRAVEL.

LONDON Jan 17.—A dispatch from Gakdul says 30 camels dropped dead on the march from Howeyah, and the troops suffered severely, a majority of the water skins leaked and the men, yielding to thirst, exhausted their rations of water prematurely. Very few fell out of line, and the condition of the men under the circumstances was splendid. All bore their hardships bravely as was evidenced by their singing as cheerily as their parched throats would permit. They are seemly desirous to fight.

THE MISSING STEAMER

LONDON, Jan 17.—The missing packet Admiral Moorsom carried a crew of 27 and 10 passengers, chiefly drovers.

EUROPEAN POLITICS

THE CONGO CONFERENCE

BERLIN Jan 17.—In the Congo conference three reasons were given for the participation of America in the deliberations. First, because America was the first power officially to recognize the African international association; second, because the population of America comprises 6,000,000 negroes, whose parent country is Africa; and, thirdly, because Americans mainly have explored the country.

BERLIN Jan 17.—The sub-committee of the west African conference has agreed upon the report of Lambermont on the subject of conditions necessary to make future annexations on the coasts of Africa effective. Delegates to the conference are irritated at Portugal's continued opposition. Germany has advised that negotiations between France and the African international association be in the future carried on at Berlin.

ALL CLAIMS RENOUNCED

BRUSSELS, Jan 17.—Mgr. Dumont renounces all claims upon the diocesan treasury of Tournay. This action presumably settles the long-standing controversy which has occupied a large share of the attention of the Belgian courts for some years, and has been the subject of considerable litigation in Canada and the United States.

BELGIUM

THE SUPPOSED MURDERER OF RUMPFF ARRESTED

LONDON Jan 17.—A special from Brussels gives the following account of the arrest of a German traveler in that city, for supposed complicity in the murder of Herr Rumpff. The police authorities of this city claim to have made an important arrest in connection with the assassination of Police Commissioner Rumpff, at Frankfort-on-the-Main. They are reticent concerning the prisoner, but state that he arrived at Antwerp yesterday, from Germany. He immediately took the train for this city, and was arrested on his arrival last evening. From other sources it is learned that all the proper time evidence will be forthcoming to show that the

[illegible] Dresden who drew the dagger into the body of Rumpff, after forcing the dagger, traced its owner, and the arrest here last evening is said to have been made on a telegram from the German police, who were also close on the heels of the assassin that he fled to Antwerp, and thence to Brussels, hoping, the Cape

PERSONAL POINTS

"Is Col. Buckle the editor of the Times to be married?" asks the Paso Robles Independent.

Sir Erasmus Wilson, the great English skin doctor, left an estate worth $1,600,000. Most of it will ultimately go to the royal college of surgeons.

Daniel Lockwood, who made three speeches that placed Tilden in nomination for governor by a majority of 300,000, is worth $2,000,000 and would like to represent the governor in Albany.

Cullman, the inventor and capitalist died suddenly and unexpectedly of heart disease at his home in Akron, Ohio, December 26. His wealth is estimated at from $4,000,000 to $5,000,000.

General Benjamin F. Butler is said to have signed a contract with a New York publishing firm to write for them his personal reminiscences. The work is to be in two volumes and General Butler is to receive for it $50,000 and a small royalty.

John Burgoyne, whose death is reported, was long Louis Philippe's chief cook. He amassed a fortune of $5,000,000 and has left it to his two nieces, on condition that the inscription on his tomb stone consists of one of his famous cookery receipts engraved on a brass tablet.

Rev. Will on Henry Channing, who died in Portland last month, was born in Boston on the 25th of May, 1810. He was graduated at Harvard in 1830, and was pastor of several religious societies. In 1857 he went to England on literary business, and while there became minister of the Hope street Unitarian church in Liverpool. He returned to this country in 1866, and was for a time chaplain of congress, and afterward minister of the Unitarian church in Washington. In 1870 he delivered a course of lectures before the Lowell institute. Returning to England he contributed to the periodicals and wrote a number of books. He translated Joffroy's "Ethics," and was the author of a "Memoir of William Ellery Channing," and edited a volume of Channing's sermons. In conjunction with Emerson and Freeman Clarke he assisted in writing "Memoirs of Margaret Fuller Ossoli." His daughter married Edwin Arnold, the journalist, and author of "Light of Asia."

"Their Best Chance Is Co-Operation."

The following remarks were made in the sermon preached by Dr. Edward Everett Hale of Boston yesterday morning in All Souls church, New York, on our "National Wealth." In part of such men as Roger Williams and John Cotton, possessing prophetic instincts as they did, he said had been asked what they foresaw in the future of the states they founded, they would not have prophesied the wealth under which America struggles to-day, wealth fabulous beyond any dream of national prosperity of their time. A few days ago I received a letter from an eminent English writer on political economy who said didactically, as one thing, through the states. In his letter he expressed surprise at what he termed the unheard of luxury of this country, and he dropped this word of warning.

"I have not been able to learn that you have done much in the direction of curbing individual license and greed as we have in England. We are going on the right path, I think, and surely through a little slowly as our manner is. I read this because it is the careful remarks of an unprejudiced observer, and I can only deplore that so many of our public men will not fully close their eyes to the signs of the times to the increased wealth of the country which seems to me the most extraordinary thing in modern history. The younger members of this congregation will see the day when the crafts man and the mechanic will labor but eight hours daily. What will he spend the remainder of his waking hours? Fifty years ago people fluttered them days that as long as the public school system was good and free lectures were accessible to the poor the mechanic would spend his spare time in making scientific experiments or models of the locomotive. This theory is unfortunately proven fallacious. If so would have mainly men and womanly women we must provide them with a printed as well as a practical education. Upon the solution of this problem depend the future of our country."

Only Beauties.

Sam Openhammer of San Antonio was one of the passengers on the Sunset train that was robbed a few weeks ago. "I'll shell out your money or off goes the top of your head," remarked one of the robbers, holding a pistol under Sam's nose. "Five hundred dollars wish all I got, so help me chimney go shoot." Hand over." Sam did so, keeping back $6. "What are you keeping them six dollar for?" mildly inquired the robber, pressing his pistol against Sam's head. "Mine Gott, don't you see I am take out two per cent von de advance money without securities," asked Sam in Texas Siftings.

Lynn shipped 296,943 and Haverhill 194,761 cases of shoes during the week just closed.

MINING STOCKS

		SAN FRANCISCO Jan 17	
Alpha		Hale & Norcross	4 65
Alta		Mexican	55
Belcher		Mono	35
Best & Belcher	65	Ophir	1 85
Bodie Con	2 00	Potosi	65
Bulwer		Savage	45
Challar	1 65	Sierra Nevada	1 45
Con Cal & Virginia	16	Union	45
Eureka Con	2 40	Yellow Jacket	1 30
Gould & Curry	65		

A TALE OF TEXAS

The Experience of a Chicago Journalist in the Sunny South.

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The different between Chicago and one of the large cities of Texas is not alone in the many miles that separate them, nor in widely differing climate, nor in the size of the cities. Every Chicagoan is familiar with the hurrying crowds on Clark street, Madison, La Salle, Dearborn, or any one of the South side business thoroughfares where each man tries to get ahead of the man in front of him. If a Texas man should strike that gait through the blistering yellow sunshine he would be mad up in every size with kind inquiries as to the particular disaster that had befallen him. Or if a stranger should strike Chicago rate of speed he would inevitably become one hundred per cent suspicious. When a couple of Texas business men meet upon the street they shake hands in a listless manner, look around the first lamp or awning post at hand, and if a longer conference is required take seats on a dry-goods box. As the planter says in the play, "We never are in a hurry in the south."

A fair indication of the enterprise and intelligence of a town is its newspapers. The city to which reference has been made has a population of at least 30,000, and cannot support a good morning newspaper. One reason for this might be that nearly half the population is composed of colored people who as a mass are still woefully ignorant, though there can be no doubt of their loyalty to the Union. They are not very energetic as voters because they well know that if ten ballots, if cast, would make no great difference in the official returns. This takes away half of the customers of a newspaper at one fell swoop. Of the remainder there must be at one side half a class known as the mossback element, who can't read, and if they could they wouldn't, leaving 50 per cent of the entire population as possible newspaper readers. This small proportion also includes the foreign element, by far the most energetic and enterprising, though not very enthusiastic in support of an American newspaper.

The Texas city had seven railroads, several of which had their general offices there. It was favorably situated for commerce, and was known as the most enterprising city in the state. Some gentle statesmen thinking it a shame that no morning newspaper could live, concluded that the time was ripe to make the attempt. Accordingly a circular was issued, setting forth the many inducements which the new paper would offer to the business men of the city. Among the inducements was the statement that the paper would be a credit to the city. A stock company was formed, composed of the most wealthy men in the city, with a capital stock of $100,000. Expensive fast presses were purchased, and an entire new outfit of type procured. Experienced and competent editors were hired, and nothing was wanting but patronage. Alas! it came not. After a brilliant career of fourteen or fifteen months the sheriff closed the doors, and the founders of the ill-fated enterprise retired gracefully, regretted by all its friends.

The average gentleman in Texas journalism rather resembles a northern man. The people know nothing of personal journalism. A man who is attacked in print must resent it with a cowhide or revolver or suffer social ostracism. Editors are very careful what they write in Texas. The writer, a Chicago newspaper man had a brief experience in that sunlit land, and some of the incidents and anecdotes may at least prove amusing. No attempt has been made to color them in the interest of either section.

When I stepped off the cars at Houston last August it was stifling hot Sunday morning. The air was like the blast from a furnace. The usual crowd was screaming down my face made little furrows in the grime and cinders left by a journey of 1300 miles. A neat omnibus carried myself and a couple of commercial travelers to the hotel. A bath, clean clothing, shave, and shampoo, produced a feeling of comparative comfort. In the wide rotunda some dozens of men were sitting, most of them carrying palm leaf fans which they waved languidly, and nearly all dressed in thin clothing made of striped seersucker cloth. I saw the familiar face of a gentleman I had met in Chicago when he had been a member of the Texas delegation to the national democratic convention.

"How do you do, captain?" I asked, holding out my hand.

"Sir it can't be," he exclaimed, delightedly. "It is, by heavens! Gentlemen, let me introduce a Chicago newspaper man."

In five minutes I had made the acquaintance of more than a dozen colonels, majors, judges and captains.

"Well, sah," asked the judge "how do you all like Texas."

"Very well, judge," I replied, inhesitatingly. "It looks like a very fine state, though as I have just arrived I am hardly be qualified for a witness."

"I nevah was up nawth but once sah and dammo if I ever want to again sah. Have got all dee need to remain with us all some time sah?"

I informed him that I had been engaged as city editor of the Houston *Post* and hoped my engagement would be more pleasant than the experience of a friend of mine who came down to Waco to report a murder trial for one of the papers.

"I was in St. Louey once, sah, but oh the wah," said the judge. "I hear they all have a bridge thah now, sah."

"Tell the gentleman tell his story," urged the captain.

"As a reporter, I continued, had never been in Texas and was used to sensation. I waited, consequently, he gave all the facts. Both parties to the murder were of the highest respectability. The reporter gave all the gossip he could find and added his own theory, just as he would have done at home. It takes a day or two for St. Louis papers to get to Waco, and the court had adjourned at the close of the second day of the trial, when the reporter noticed a sudden coolness toward him upon the part of several gentlemen with whom he had already formed friendships. He was sitting in his cigar in solitary grandeur upon the hotel steps when he was approached by one of the leading citizens of the place.

"Have you seen the *Globe*, Colonel? Seen my report? Ain't she a dandy?" asked the reporter.

"Mistah ——," said the colonel, impressively, "don't you all think, sah, that you allus use-fulness is about ended round heah, sah?"

"I hadn't given the subject any thought, colonel, said the reporter. "Perhaps it has."

The reporter was no slouch if he did wear a calico shirt.

"Well, sah," said the colonel, "a few gentlemen, including myself, have lately held a informal meeting and concluded, sah, that as you all might not have a pass to St. Louey, to buy you a ticket. Heah it is, sah. The train starts in half a houah. I pres ume, sah, that you all will not requiah moah time than that, sah, to pack you alls grip."

The eastern train took the St. Louis reporter, and that's the reason why the St. Louis paper's report of that trial was incomplete.

All the colonels, judges, majors and captains at once said, while that might be true of other places in the state, nothing of the kind was ever seen in Houston, "by jad, sah."

"When you all get acquainted with our people, sah, you nevah will leave em, sah!" exclaimed the captain.

The next day I found that the exalted position of city editor on the Houston *Post* meant to be the general "hustler." I gathered up a few odds and ends about the city hall and county offices, wrote an alleged funny imaginative sketch, fixed up some matters that always come into a country newspaper office, and at 11 o'clock at night was sitting in my shirt-sleeves in a draught, with a good cigar, and thinking of dear old Chicago, suddenly there came up to the window of the mellowest melody that ever filled the air. Leaning out I saw a group of negroes sitting on a bench under a tall magnolia tree, while overhead shone the bright west moon, and the sky was filled with stars unknown to me. And this is the way the song ran, tune and burden in words, beautiful in its constant clinch of bass, baritone, tenor, and high treble:

Oh! Mistah Brown goes all night long,
I could not go same and be so strong.
He hurts at night till de broad daylight,
An he don't come home till de next day's sun.

Dem angels wings am shinin
Across from de golden shore,
I know I go long, den I go too,
An no one can keep me from dat.

There was a clang of fire bells in the steeple of the market house, which was also the city hall. Over in the south, right under the blazing southern cross, there was a glow of red. The negroes, happy in a bit of excitement, ran to the fire. I put on my coat, and from the window taking my observations as to direction, started to report it. I should have stated heretofore that the city of Houston is lighted by electricity on the main street, but outside is climbing blackness. At 11 o'clock there is not a ray of light save from the moon and stars carelessly running along the middle of the street I fell into an uncompleted sewer about 6 feet deep. When I tried to climb up the further side I was confronted by an able-bodied dog, which had grave suspicions that I was not white. I ought to be. I agreed with him, and went back to the glare of the electric light. In a few minutes the engines came back, reporting a fire in a shed loss, $15; no insurance. This was the most exciting item in the paper of the next day.

One evening the telephone rang out a lively tune. An inquiry was made for the reporter.

"Here he is."

"Car you come up to my house?"

"Yes, where is it?"

"No. 75 —— street—good item for the paper, sah."

As fast as the one-mule street car could go I hurried to the address indicated. I met a lady at the door.

At last I have an item.

"My sistah in Augusta, Georgy, sent me this lahge watchmillion by express, sah. I've been thinking, sah, that seeing it's such a lahge millinium, I would raffle it off, sah. Please give me [illegible] notice in the paper, sah. I've been taking the paper right along, sah."

The possession of "gall" like this could not go unrewarded, and the "paper" contained a quarter of a column description of the "million," with a recommendation to all to purchase some tickets for the raffle.

Late night there was a terrific fight with bowie knives in a saloon between two young men of the best families. I at once repaired to the scene. While gathering information from bystanders I was approached by a man who inquired if I was the reporter.

"Yes."

"These was mighty fine gentlemen that had the row, sah."

"No doubt of it."

"Well, sah, it would be a great favor to me and several othah gentlemen if you didn't mention no names in the paper."

"Tell me all about it, and I won't."

This reassured I was enabled to get a very fair account of the affray, but not caring to have any hand in my carcass I mentioned no names, merely describing the row as an unfortunate occurrence.

I made numerous acquaintances and in a variable question would be:

"Well, sah, how do you like our people?"

To this I would reply that I had found them always polite and obliging. After 300 or 400 had asked me the same question it became to get monotonous, but I had schooled myself to betray no annoyance, and be as placid as the matter would admit. But one day I kicked over the traces. A queer-faced fellow, who from his accent could not have been three months from Poland, asked me upon introduction:

"How you like 'eeeze our people?"

This was too much. "I don't like them at all!" I yelled. The story must have got around town, for that was the last time the question was asked me in Houston.

At the end of my first week in the city I informed the managing editor that the work didn't suit me and that I no would fill my place the train for St. Louis at the noon would receive a passenger.

Have you a return ticket?" he asked.

"Yes."

Let me see it."

It was handed to him, whereupon, with a typical chuckle, he placed it in the safe and remarked:

"Well, old boy, if you start for the north in side of three weeks it will be on foot. The state convention meets here in that time and as I have no one to report it except yourself, I'll just take care of that little pasteboard for fear of mistakes."

Reminiscences and coaxing were of no avail so resigning myself to the inevitable I waited for the state democratic convention. When that job was finished there was never a happier man in a northbound train than the writer. As we left the town of Texarkana, which marks the boundary between Texas and Arkansas I looked back, thinking:

O Texas! land of the banana and tarantula, the magnolia cane jessamine, and horned frog. How glad I am to leave you!" As General Phil Sheridan said: "If I owned hell and Texas I'd rent Texas and live in hell."

SUPERSTITION OF JEWELS

Imaginary Source and Delicate Fancies of Precious Stones—Stories Told of Bi-Ohmened Jewels and the Purity and Love Which Diamonds Convey.

The [illegible] nature of jewels, the imaginary sources of their creation, the delicate fancies and deep rooted superstitions connected with them are brought vividly to mind by the marriage of Miss Astor says the New York *World*. On this occasion as fashion has decreed and superstition established for weddings the bride wore only diamonds and pearls. Many other jewels are admissible and many are not worn according to the negative rules governing them, a summary of which would be of interest in a short space.

The diamond is the jewel par excellence. It is used in all quarters of the globe as the emblem of glory, its brilliancy the multitudinous tints it displays in the prism never ceases inspiring a glowing belief in such as highly appreciate what is true, pure and unalloyed. It is the emblem of purity, it is therefore worn by the bride to protect the purity of the bride. It was said in Love. Combined with the sapphire and ruby it is said to assure the loving couple his success and in telling gifts to betrothed lovers the combination of gems is the perfect accompaniment. In addition any color is supposed variously faith and sometimes also coldness and pride by the diamonds glittering on the brow of the maiden. Pearls are shunned at wedding, not only because of the connotations of the gems but because of the magical qualities they possess. Loveliness in the sight of those who wear pearls is accidental and physical clearness of vision all very desirable gifts for newly married people to have. Beside like diamonds pearls are emblematic of purity and constancy to the former in representative of modesty. The groom carries a sardonyx and all married people are set of sardonyx jewels are very appropriate for the wife because the engraving stone is conjugal felicity. And despite the absurd superstition connected with opals they combine many virtues of thought of these unfortunate gems of thought.

Opal is the most fortunate of jewels. Their struct